18 Israelis injured in ambush

TEL AVIV (R) - Eighteen Israeli soldiers were wounded when their bus was ambushed south of Beirut Friday, the army said. A spokesman said the bus came under light arms and bazooka fire near the village of Sil, three kilometres south of the Lebanese capital. Most of the 18 had light injuries. Israeli soldiers pursued the attackers and killed one of them, the spokesman said. It was one of the worst attacks on Israeli forces since the Palestinian commando evacuation from Beirut in August. Since Dec. 1, the army has reported nine Israelis killed and 15 wounded by mines and other attacks.

Jordanians, Palestinians

AMMAN (Petra) - Jordanian workers and a number of Jordanian

and Palestinian personalities declared their support of His Majesty

In a cable sent by the central council of Jordanian Trade Union

General Federation (JTUGF), the workers expressed their confidence and pride in his sincere efforts to regain the usurped rights in Palestine

and to reaffirm the right of the Palestinian people to return home and

The workers also expressed their support of the King's unionist

steps with the leaders of Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO)

"which are a manifestation of the aspirations of our one Arab people

five-week tour of several countries to advance the Arab cause, a

number of Jordanian and Palestinian personalities also praised the

King's sincere endeavours and his honourable stands towards the

Palestinian issue and people and condemned the subversive attempts

They also condemned all attempts aimed at dividing Palestinian

by certain people to frustrate the achievement of the pan-Arab goals.

ranks, and Jordanian and Palestinian people, emphasising their rejec-

tion of all attempts to cast doubt on the soundness of the Palestinian

In a separate cable to the King, on his return home at the end of his

to exercise the right of self-determination on their national soil.

praise Hussein's stand

King Hussein's wise leadership and pan-Arab stands.

in unity and freedom."

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AMMAN (Petra) - A royal decree was issued on Thursday approving the state general

for Kuwait

evening for Kuwait to participate Fatch leadership currently held in Jihad, had arrived Wednesday evening in Amman, where he had consultations with Jordanian officials on the latest developments concerning the Palestinian ques-

Warsaw Pact defence ministers to meet in Prague

MOSCOW (R) - Defence Ministers of Warsaw Pact countries will meet in Prague in the next few days, TASS news agency reported Friday. The meeting in the Czechoslovak capital would be in the first half of January, TASS said. No exact date was given for the session which appeared to be a follow-up to a summit of the seven-nation Soviet bloc alliance

Weinberger agrees to trim 1983 military budget

Defence Secretary Caspar Wein-berger has bowed to pleas from other senior Reagan aides and agreed to try to trim his planned military budget for next year, Pentagon officials said Friday. The Reagan administration is going into the final weeks of writing a tederal budget for the financial year starting next Oct. 1 faced with growing opposition to plags for sharply increased arms spending because of a soaring national deficit. Mr. Weinberger, who told a press conference only a week ago that deeper cuts in defence spending would pose a "risk to our national security", agreed at a White House meeting Thursday to look for possible budget cuts, officials said. They said senior White House aides at the meeting, who included Budget Director David Strekman, argued that arms cuts which do not jeopardise national security were essential to trim a 1984 deficit expected to be near S200 billion.

crisis'

of a three-week-old government cross and give the ruling right-way alliance another spell in power, political sources said Friday. The sources quoted President it was imperative that Portugal with the International Monetary Fund (IMF) later this year. He had was essential that government economic policy should be clear sources said.

satellite's nuclear

MOSCOW (R) - The Soviet news agency TASS said Friday that a nuclear-powered statellite believed by U.S. experts to be out of control had broken up on Dec. 25 A brief report said the satelhte. Cosmos 1402, had been divided into separate parts under orders from earth and that the nuclear power pack had burnt up on re-entry into the atmosphere. TASS quoted "competent Soviet organisations" as saying the satelthe had ceased active existence on

No let-up in Tripoli fighting

BEIRUT (R) — Sporadic shelling and bursts of machinegun fire were reported Friday from the embattled port city of Tripoli on the eighth successive day of clashes between pro-and anti-Syrian factions.

State-run Beirut Radio said the level of fighting in which at least 100 people have died in the past month rose in the afternoon after a morning of relative calm, further denting hopes of a ceasefire.

Factions opposed to Syrian control of the city also rejected a peace plan saying it could lead to

Official sources said Prime Minister Shafiq Al Wazzan was planning to visit Damascus for talks on stemming the violence but they said no date had been set.

Such a visit would be the first by a senior Lebanese official to Damascus since President Amin Gemayel took office last Sep-

Syrian troops have been in overall control of the sprawling northern city since they inter-

Liberation Organisation (PLO), arrived in Syria Friday after urging the Arab World to answer what he

called a U.S. bias in favour of

Israel with pressure similar to that

British Foreign Secretary Fran-

fence-mending Arab tour on Wednesday after Saudi Arabia,

Qatar and the United Arab Emi-

rates made clear be would not be

welcome because of Britain's

refusal to receive an Arab League

mission which included a PLO

Asked in an interview with the

Kuwait News Agency (KUNA)

whether similar measures should

be applied against the United

unacceptable-this was the only

way Mr. Kohl could keep his

promise to hold new elections

The Liberals brought about the

change in government by aban-

doning the coalition of Social

Democratic (SPD) Chancellor Helmin Schmidt and joining the

conservative alliance of Mr.

Kohl's Christian Democrats

(CDU) and their Bavarian sister

party, the Christian Social Union (CSU),

. After receiving President Car-

for emergencies and on special

occasions such as Jan. 20, when

visiting French President François

Mitterrand is due to address par-

liament on the 20th anniversary of

the Franco-German friendship

Public opinion polis during the

past few weeks have almost

unanimously forecast a con-

The CDU/CSU alliance has

servative victory at the polls.

prior to the election.

crats (FDP) on Oct. 1.

"The Arab Nation should

States, Mr. Arafat said:

exerted against Britain.

representative.

March 6.

vened in 1976 to end the civil war

Beirut Radio said three people died Thursday in the fighting in which pro-Syrian militias backed by Syrian troops are pitted against an array of anti-Syrian armed

Local newspapers put the death toll at between six and 20. Previous efforts to end the fighting have centred on Tripoli's lead-

ing politician, former Prime Minister Rashid Karami, who heads a committee of the warring factions. But some of the biggest anti-

Syrian groups have boycotted his committee, insisting on total Syrian withdrawal from the city.

In a communique the boy-cotting factions rejected Mr. Karami's latest peace plan under

Arafat urges Arab World to

DAMASCUS (R) - Yasser declare its anger and roar. The

Arafat, Chairman of the Palestine U.S. has more interests in the reg-

he added.

counter U.S.' pro-Israeli bias

ion than the other way round ... we

cannot declare war on the United

States yet we can put pressures,"

"I... demand that we stop deal-

ing with American firms." Mr.

Arafat said. The Americans must

know that their interests were

threatened by their "Israeli bias",

The Arab League mission,

formed last September to outline

an Arab peace plan for the Middle

East to the five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council.

has visited Moscow, Paris, Peking

and Washington. A PLO official

was not received at the White

Britain's attitude towards the

mission, which cancelled a

planned visit to London last

factions would police troubled parts of the city while Lebanese gendarmes would control other districts.

The communique said his plan was "a step backward" and could cause the battle-scarred city to be partitioned. The only solution would be to send in Lebanese security forces to control the city, it

Several senior Syrian officials have visited Tripoli in the past month but their peace efforts have failed to secure a lasting ceasefire.

The International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) said in Geneva that an estimated 25,000 civilians had fled the fighting.

Most fighting is in the shabby old quarters of the city which are all but deserted except for armed militiamen. Other districts are relatively unscathed by the latest round of clashes. Tripoli, which has virtually no

communications with the rest of Lebanon, is also reported running short of food and medical sup-

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November, was discussed in

Kuwait at a meeting of the central

committee of Fatah, the biggest of

the eight commando groups in the

They said the meeting, chaired

PLO, Palestinian sources said.

by Mr. Arafat as Fatah leader,

condemned the British attitude as

contradictory to Euro-Arab

The meeting also discussed a number of Middle East issues

ahead of a meeting of the Pales-

tinian parliament in exile in

Algiers next month, the sources

Palestinian sources in Amman

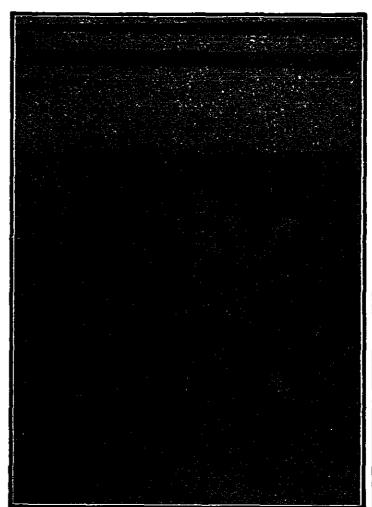
said Mr. Arafat was likely to move

on to Jordan shortly to hear a

first-hand report on King Hus-

sein's recent talks in the United

States on possible new moves



Leftist militiamen of the "24th of October Movement" man a sandbagged position near their headquarters in Tripoli Thursday.

Moscow urges West to consider proposed treaty MOSCOW (R) — Soviet leaders ing the use of force against each

appealed to the West Friday to give careful consideration to the idea of an East-West nonaggression treaty proposed at a summit conference of the Communist Warsaw Pact earlier this

An announcement issued by the state and party leadership through ne official news agency TASS said Moscow regarded this proposal as the most important outcome of the two-day meeting in

"It is important that the states to which this major peace initiative is addressed in the first place should approach it with every attention." the statement said.

The Warsaw Pact leaders suggested that the Western NATO alliance and the Soviet bloc should sign a treaty renounc-

The proposal, which echoed a similar idea put forward by the

Kremlin in 1958, has been dismissed by many Western officials as meaningless. Friday's Soviet statement said a

non-aggression treaty would pave the way towards raising trust between East and West and reducin stockpiles of nuclear weapons. "It depends on the U.S.A. and

its NATO allies whether the opportunity to prevent the buildup of nuclear missiles in Europe will be used," the Kremlin leaders declared. TASS said the Communist

Party politburo, the council of ministers and the Praesidium of the Soviet Union had all examined the results of the Prague meeting and issued the joint statement as a

Danish captain had been arrested

Britain on Jan. I banned the

coastal zone to Danes except for

industrial catches for processing

The ban was introduced after

Denmark failed to accept an

agreement alloting catch quotas

reached by the other 10 member

illegal agents in neutral Swit-

Police were alerted to the dip-

lomats' activities in the regions of

Berne and Solothurn to the north

of the capital and the Swiss Fore-

ign Ministry protested to the

The government says it has

uncovered 240 spying cases since

Sowiet embassy in Berne.

nations of the European Com-

up to Friday's court hearing.

into fishmeal and fertiliser.

Jordan gets \$100,000 grant from UNESCO

PARIS (R) - UNESCO has cial said Friday it implied granted Jordan \$100,000 fol- UNESCO recognition that lowing a decision to include the old city of Jerusalem on its list of world heritage sites, officials of the world organisation said Frito the charge.

position and to interfere in their internal affairs.

Jerusalem, which has been occupied by Israel since 1967, was nominated by Jordan as a world heritage site and approved last month by a committee vote at UNESCÓ, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation.

Commenting on the grant, an Israeli UNESCO delegation offi-

Jerusalem was Jordanian. "This is purely an Israeli interpretation", a UNESCO official replied, adding that UNESCO would not respond

Fourteen delegations voted in favour, five abstained and the United States voted against including Jerusalem on the list.

Twenty-three other world sites: were included on the heritage list! of world cultural and natural sites; afforded UNESCO protection, bringing the total to 136.

PLO official stresses special ties with Jordan

isation (PLO) Office in Beirut Shafik Al Hout has said that Jordan, with its geographical location and demography, is a basic political and crucial factor which cannot be overlooked or hypassed when talking about any politicar solution involving the Palestinians and the Palestinian issue.

In an article published by the Kuwaiti newspaper Al Anba', Mr. Al Hout said the events of the last half century has created an objective fact, namely that Jordanians and Palestinians have developed special relationships.

Mr. Hour said the lordanian-

AMMAN (Petra) - Director of Palestinian relationship is necesbecause it is the fate of the two people who are closely linked

Criticising those who are opposing such relationship. Mr. Houtsaid they should ask the Palestinians residing in Jordan for well over one third of a century about their future in case an independent Palestinian state is established without links with Jordan. Will these Palestinians abandon their Jordanian citizenship or Palestinian citizenship, and in this

case, where would they be heading

British premier names new defence secretary

LONDON (R) — Prime Minister major defence cuts. Margaret Thatcher's selection of a glamorous orator as Britain's new defence secretary was greeted by political commentators Friday as an acknowledgement of growing

and eloquent millionaire who has been environment secretary since 1979, takes over from John Nott. who has announced he will retire from politics at the next general

as a determined manager of a large spending department. But with a general election due this year or early next, commentators said he was unlikely to launch any

public opposition to nuclear arms, Michael Heseltine, a handsome

Mr. Heseltine has a reputation

The Financial Times, the journal of Britain's business community, said Friday that until recently few people saw nuclear policy as a central issue.

"But the widespread opposition

to Trident (a new and expensive submarine-based nuclear missile) and to the deployment of American intermediate nuclear weapons i on British territory has ensured that it can no longer be ducked or met only by slogans," the paper

The independent Times news paper wrote that the defence job called for a minister with a power of public persuasion.

Corsican guerrillas answer Paris crackdown with bomb attack

Fresh tension gripped Corsica Friday after separatist guerrillas replied to a French government crackdown on political violence on the Mediterranean island with

a bomb attack in central Ajaccio. The raid, blamed on the outlawed Corsican National Liberation Front (FLNC), caused concern among residents of a confrontation between the separatists and newly strengthened security the Greens are supported by at least five per cent of the electorate forces, informed sources said.

The bombing Thursday night badly damaged a driving school which had been the target of several previous attacks. Other buildings in the area were also dam-

aged.
The government this week banned the FLNC and ordered a shake-up of the Corsican police as

AJACCIO, CORSICA (R) - a result of steadily increasing violence by the guerrillas in a campaign to win the island's indepegadence from France.

Police Commissioner Robert Broussard, former head of the anti-gang brigade in Paris, is due to arrive in Corsica shortly with a team of senior officers to take charge of security.

see how the FLNC intends to react," political sources said. Last night's bombing could be a face-saving act of defiance to the government. It could also be a signal that the violence will go

ried it could lead to bloodshed if

The sources said they were concerned by Mr. Broussard's reputation as one of France's toughest policemen.

and his team were already equipped with the names of the FLNC's supreme military council and of the front's 25 most wanted militants.

Some 200 guerrillas have been held responsible for almost 700 bombings in the past year. They have about 1,000 active sympathisers on the island.

He expressed confidence on television that the police would eventually win control over the Police Friday opened an inves-

tigation into a French nationalist group calling itself France-Resurrection which threatened in a statement to take vigilante action against the FLNC.

"For every Frenchman who is bombed or injured or is the victim of extortion, an FLNC member or sympathiser or other Corsican nationalist will suffer the same fate," it said.

French families in Corsica have suffered most from an FLNC campaign of intimidation aimed at forcing them from the island. Native-born Corsicans now account for only slightly more than half the 230,000 population.

Secretary General François Leotard charged that a French warship recently intercepted an arms cargo destined for the FLNC. His accusation was denied by Defence Minister Charles

Opposition Republican Party

Mr. Leotard. whose party is headed by former President Valery Giscard d'Estaing, told reporters that weapons were coming from East Europe via the Italian island of Sardinia.

He said he was "convinced the Soviet Union was indirectly exploiting Corsican nationalism in because of Corsica's strategic importance in the Mediter-

order to undermine the region ranean". He accused Libya of being the intermediary in the arms

King approves 1983 budget

budget for the 1983 fiscal year. Wazir leaves

AMMAN (J.T.) — Deputy Commander-in-Chief of the Palestinian Forces, Khalil Al Wazir left Amman Thursday in the emergency meeting of the Kuwaii. Mr. Wazir, known as Abu

held in Prague earlier this week.

WASHINGTON (R) - U.S.

'Need for loans may solve Portugal's

LISBON (R) - Portugal's presstay need for new foreign loans appears likely to hasten a solution Ankonio Ramalho Eanes as saying should have a stable government in a position to start accotiations told the three right-wing parties is by that time and for this reason the president was not in favour of calling early general elections, the

TASS: Soviet power pack burnt

dissolves parliament BONN (R) — President Karl Carstens Friday bowed to the wishes been getting between 48-50 per cent of the vote and the Social Democrats about 42 per cent. of West Germany's four political The Free Democrats, who have

W.German president

parties by dissolving parliament and calling a general election for always been represented in the Bundestag and have been a goverament partner for 26 of the past The announcement, which was 33 years, are in deep trouble and widely expected, came three according to the polls will not get weeks after Chancellor Helmut the minimum five per cent of the Kohl deliberately lost a vote of votes needed to get into parconfidence in the West German liament under the proportional Bundestag (lower house). Apart from resigning-a move he regarded as politically representation system.

Political analysts say their main hope is to overcome what they call "the treachery factor" following widespread public resentment over the Liberals' switch of after being manoeuvred into power by the Liberal Free Demopartners in parliament. •

Despite their size--less than 80,000 members-the Free Democrats are powerfully represented in the present government with four cabinet minis-

They include Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher, the party's chairman, who is expected to make as much political capital as possible out of his new role as chairman of the European Community Council of Ministers.

sten's decision. Bundestag The unknown factor is the speaker Richard Stuecklen said emerging "Greens" Party, origthe current parliament would inally formed as an ecological remain fully functional and could movement three years ago but Six at any time in the two months now drawing increased support because of its anti-nuclear However, he said it did not propose to call any sittings, except policies. According to the opinion polls.

> and could be poised to enter parliament for the first time. There are fears that, if no party wins an overall majority, the Greens could hold the balance of power in parliament and make the country virtually ungovernable because of the wide variety of causes they espouse.

towards a Middle East settlement. Danish captain denies fishing illegally

- A Danish trawler captain testing the legality of new British restrictions Friday denied in court that he had fished illegally within 12 miles of Britain's coast.

Kent Kirk, a 34-year-old member of the European parliament who is leading Danish fishermen in a dispute over European Community fishing rights, denied the charge at the start of a

NORTH SHIELDS, England (R) hearing at the northeastern seaport of North Shields. His trawler, the Sand Kirk, was escorted into the port Thursday by a British navy fishery protection

ship after Capt. Kirk cast his nets inside the 12-mile coastal sector banned to Danish fishermen. The Sand Kirk was one of

dozens of Danish fishing boats that have sailed for British waters in recent days, although no other

Switzerland expels 2 Soviet diplomats

BERNE (R) - Switzerland said Friday it had expelled two Soviet diplomats based in Geneva for spying, adding to a long series of espionage scares.

The Justice Ministry said in a

statement the two unnamed offito the United Nations and the

leave towards the end of last month. They had been gathering information about papers required for settling or getting married in Swit-

zerland, the statement said. The ministry did not say what

cials, one from the Soviet mission the significance of such data was but Swiss media speculated it

other from the consulate- could have been useful to Soviet general in Geneva, were told to intelligence services in setting up

"Corsicans are still waiting to

They said many islanders, although encouraged by the hard line which authorities adopted towards the guerrillas, were worFLNC resistance continued.

Newspapers said Mr. Broussard

Ajaccio Police Commissioner Bernard Lion appealed for greater cooperation by ordinary Corsicans who have traditionally refused to inform against guerrilla

King congratulates Iraq on its army anniversary

AMMAN (Petra) — His Majesty King Hussein sent Friday a cable of congratulations to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein on the anniversary of the establishment of the Iraqi

The King said in his cable that the "battle which the Iraqi army is now fighting in defence of Arab i lands and dignity is an extension of : Iraq's pan-Arab stands in defendring the Arab Nation against all c forms of aggression."

The King wished President Saddam and "the valiant Iraqi army and people success and victory in this pan-Arab battle."

Prime Minister Mudar Badran also sent a cable of con-Paratulations on the occasion of Paragi Deputy Prime Minister and

member of the Revolutionary Command Council Taha Yassin Ramadan and praised the "sacrifices and courage of the valiant

Meanwhile, a delegation representing the Iraqi embassy and community in Amman, headed by Ambassador Ibrahim Shuja Sultan visited Thursday the Iraqi. army martyrs monument in Maf-

Iraqi army in defending Arab

raq to mark the anniversary.

A Jordanian military delegation accompanied the Iraqi visitors. Members of the delegation placed wreaths on the martyrs gravey-

Ambassador Sultan made an address on the occasion saying that the "martyrdom of Iraqi soldiers in Jordan is a live expression of the pan-Arab link between Iraq and Jordan." He pointed out that the Iraqi army is now "waging the most glorious battle against the Iranian enemy and will continue to be the Arab Nation's army defending its just causes on all

Ambassador Sultan praised Jordan's "courageous stand under the leadership of His Majesty King Hussein in supporting Iraq against the aggression of the Ira-nians who have ambitions in Iraqi



Iraqi Ambassador to Jordan Ibrahim Shuja Sultan (centre) and members of the Iraqi community in Jordan and Jordanian officials visit Thursday the

Iraqi army martyrs monument in Mafraq (Petra

Hussein visits Prime Ministry

AMMAN (Petra) — His Majesty King Hussein visited Thursday the Prime Ministry and met with Prime Minister Mudar Badran.

The King discussed with the prime minister several topics related to the continuation of Jordan's pan-Arab role on the Arab and international levels to serve the Palestinian cause and the supfreme Arab interest and to conlainue to the process of development in the country. The meeting twas attended by Royal Court Chief Ahmad Al Lawzi.

Emergency conference condemns UNRWA move

AMMAN (Petra) - An emergency meeting of the supervisors of Palestinian refugee affairs in host Arab countries has declared that the decision of the commissioner general of the Uni ed Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestinian refugees (! NRWA) to suspend food aid for the refugees was the "most serious" decision taken by the UNRWA so far and implied the 'serious consequences of exempting the international con. unity from its responsibility towards the Palestinian refugees as a prelude to liquidate the issue of the Palestinian refugees and consequently

The conference also declared in its third session that Arabs should adopt a "unified stand towards the UNRWA and its attempts to absolve itself from its responsibilities towards the

Malhas leaves to attend Riyadh meeting

Minister Zuhair Malhas left Amman for Riyadh Thursday to participate in the meetings of the xecutive bureau of the Arab lealth Ministers Council, which egan on Friday.

During the two-day meetings.

AMMAN (Petra) — Health participants in the meeting will discuss the health conditions of the residents of the occupied Arab territories, the question of an

> Arab council for medical specialisations, and a centre for health documents and publications.

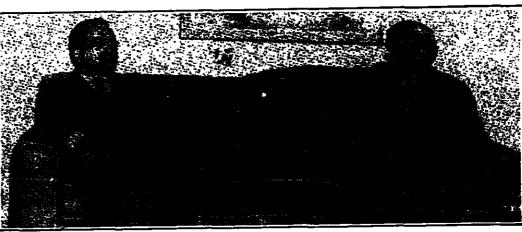
against radioactive materials, as well as ways and means to advance the profession of paramedics, to advance health services in Arab countries, to draw up a strategy for the work of the Arab health ministers council, and to reinforce Arab presence in the World Health Organisation (WHO),

Hassan receives U.S. delegation

AMMAN (Petra) — His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan received at his office Thursday U.S. Congressman Paul Tsongas and a delegation accompanying him.

Prince Hassan reviewed with the guest delegation the situation in the Middle East area in general and the situation in the occupied Arab territories in particular, particularly Israeli settlement

Mr. Tsongas and the delegation left Jordan



His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan Thursday confers with U.S. Congressman Paul Tsongas, who

was on a short visit to Jordan (Petra photo).

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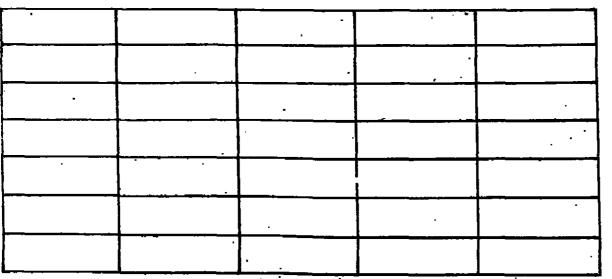
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Public Works Ministry reviews plans, projects

AMMAN (J.T.) — Minister of Public Works Awni Al Masri chaired Thursday the monthly meeting of public works directors ulation, studies, plans, data of in various governorates and dis-tricts, and reviewed the ministry's projects and plans.

Mr. Masri extended thanks to during 1983. various ministry sections and personnel who had exerted all efforts to help clear roads and aid the public during the snow blizzard which hit Jordan early last week.

The meeting reviewed the 1982 projects and the volume of work accomplished, and listened to a briefing by the minister on 1483 projects and the bases of their execution.

cedure to be adhered to before slides.

ulation, studies, plans, data of needed quantities and their specifications should be provided before starting works on projects - Plots of lands adjacent to any

new road, and which are needed for construction purposes should be appropriated in advance, and compensations for owners should be calculated before any practical steps for carrying out works are taken. Mr. Masri said. Plans and studies of new roads should be in full accordance with the roadspecifications guide adopted by Mr. Masri also outlined the requirements for offering new width of asphalted areas, curves, tenders, and the new regular pro- crossroads, trenches and side-

Abu Nowar to attend meeting on Arab youth, sports affairs

AMMAN (Petra) — Culture and Youth Minister Ma'an Abu Nowar left Amman for Mogadishu Friday to participate in the meetings of the executive bureau of the Arab Youth and Sports Ministers Council scheduled to begin in the Somali capital Saturday.

Participants in the five-day conference will discuss Arab youth and sports policy, and the role of Arab youth in terms of patriotic raising

They will also discuss topics related to supporting Arab Youth organisations and unions and establishing Palestinian youth centres as well as re-forming technical committees to help the council and its executive bureau.

New Red Sea excursion package offered in U.S.

AMMAN (J.T.) - Jordan now offers tourists and scuba enthusiasts from the United States and Canada a "new adventure tour package" in Aqaba.

The package, offered by a provate agency in the U.S. in cooperation with Alia, the Royal Jordanian Airline, offers accommodation at Aqaba for seven days and diving expeditions with equipment and instructor among the Red Sea coral reefs off the coast of Agaba.

The fascinating coral reefs of the Red Sea abound with a wide variety of marine life including sponges, sea turtles, shrimp, purfferfish, scorpion fish, stonefish, barracuda, butterfly fish, lionfish, and parrot fish. All are protected from encroachment by the Jordanian government, which outlaws spearfishing and collection of

Aqaba's refreshing waters are renowed for their remarkable clarity and afford the divers a visibility of up to 200 feet--many sport divers describe a Red Sea dive as "the ultimate adventure."

Besides scuba diving, Aqaba offers a wide variety of recreational water sports year round. Sailboards, water ski equipment, pedal boats, kayaks, and snorkel gear and available to hotel guests for purchase or on rental basis.

Trips to the ancient Nabatean city of Petraland Wadi, Rum, where the well-known film, Lawrence of Arabia, was made, are also

offered by the organisers. A special camel ride into the desert with an overnight stay in a bedouin camp may also be obtained by participants, as well as extensions to Vienna, Paris and

NEWS IN BRIEF

CAEU staff contributes to aid N. Yemen

AMMAN (Petra) — Employees of the Council of Arab Economic Unity (CAEU) have donated one day's salary as a token contribution to the victims of the recent earthquakes in North Yemen. CAEU Secretary-General Fakhri Kaddouri telephoned North Yemeni Prime Minister Abdul Karim Al Iryani to inform him of the decision. Mr. Iryani thanked CAEU employees for their "sincere Arab feelings" towards North Yemen.

Central Bank honours employees

AMMAN (Petra) — The board of directors of the Central Bank of Jordan has decided to grant awards to all its employees having long periods of service. Employees who spent 10 or more years in service are awarded a golden coin of the 15th Hijra century and those with lesser service are granted a silver coin.

Military court sentences embezzlers

AMMAN (Petra) — The military governor approved Thursday sentences handed down by the military court sentencing Mohammad Suleiman Al Rawashdeh, a former employee of the Iraqi-Jordanian Land Transport Company, to seven years of imprisonment with hard labour and a fine of JD 19.794, which is the amount of the money he embezzled from the company. Sabri Mohammad Darwish and Yousef Mohammad Abu Raqiyyeh were sentenced nine months of imprisonment each and a fine of JD 8 on embezzlement charges. The court also sentenced Khamis Al Utaybat to two years of imprisonment with hard labour after indictment on charges of embezzling public funds.

117 new engineers sworn in

AMMAN (Petra) - One hundred and seventeen new engineers were sworn in Thursday at the Professional Association Complex before Public Works Minister Awni Al Masri in the presence of the president of the Jordanian Engineers Association. After the swearing-in ceremony, the new engineers discussed with Mr. Masti and the president of the association several topics, including the increasing number of graduate engineers and ways of finding employment for them. They also asserted the need for sound planning for the educational process to meet the country's development needs.

Zarqa Free Zone to celebrate Arbor Day

ZAROA (Petra) - Zarqa District officer Salem Al Oudah said Thursday that the district office of Zarqa has completed preparations for celebrating the Arbor Day in the Zarqa Free Zone on Jan. 15. He said celebration will also take place in Birin and Al Azraq and citizens will plant trees on the occasion.

Phosphates exports increase in 1982

AMMAN (J.T.) — The quantity of phosphates exported via Agaba port since the beginning of 1982 up to October of the same: year totalled 3,460,846 tonnes compared to 2,886,706 tonnes in the same period of 1981, the Jordan News Agency, Petra reported

New roads opened in northern Shuna

IRBID (Petra) - Al Shuna Al Shamaliyeh Municipality began Thursday work on 80,000 square metres of new streets in the town at a cost of JD 110,000. The work is scheduled to be completed within six months.

Ministry official visits community centre

AMMAN (Petra) — Ministry of Social Development Under-Secretary Mohammad Ali Wardam visited Thursday the local community development centre in southern Marka. He met a number of residents there and discussed with them matters related to improving and developing the social, health and edu-cational services being rendered to the residents of the area.

Teachers, students visit military academy

AMMAN (Petra) - A delegation of teachers and students of the Islamic Community College in Zarqa visited Thursday the Royal Military Academy and heard a briefing on the tasks and duties of the academy as a training centre for the Jordanian Armed Forces. The delegation toured various sections of the academy and saw some of military field exercises.

Special vocational training for handicappec

IRBID (Petra) — The Vocational Training Centre for the handicapped in Irbid has prepared a programme to have the handicapped participate in vocational courses to develop their skills in carpentry, blacksmithery and other handicrafts. The workshop has been opened recently and is supervised by the Ministry of Social Development.

NRA to exploit water resources in Rasoun

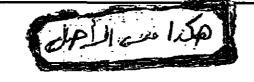
IRBID (Petra) — The Natural Resources Authority plans to exploit water resources in Rasoun town in Irbid Governorate for agricultural purposes. The NRA has begun drawing up preliminary studies for the project to open irrigation canals to cover 3.000 dunums of agricultural lands. The project is estimated to

Welfare societies union officials elected

AMMAN (Petra) — The Union of Welfare Societies for Amman Governorate elected Friday a new managerial board at a meeting held at the Amman Chamber of Industry. Abdullah Al Khatib. Mohammad Rabi', Rajab Al Barghouthi, Ahmad Al Isiss, Anwar Al Hadid, Fakhri Al Bilbisi, Adawiyeh Al Alami, Asma' Matar. Buthayneh Jirdaneh and Father Constantine Qarmash won the elections. The general assembly of the union approved the administrative and financial reports of the union.

Central Bank asks banks for information

AMMAN (Petra) — The Central Bank of Jordan has asked all licensed banks in Jordan to supply the Central Bank with their final accounts for fiscal year 1982 certified by the bank's chartered accountants and on forms especially designated for this purpose on a date no later than Jan. 31, 1983.



Swiss fight to save Romansh

By Andrew Gowers

CHUR, Switzerland - A growing band of enthusiasts in this eastern Swiss town is lighting to save Romansh, Switzerland's fourth

language, from extraction. In a new rescue plan, the Swiss government is expected to mark its own concern about the dwindling use of the 2,000-year-old language, which sounds so unusual that it has been ealled gibberish by many listeners.

The mountainous Canton of Grisons is its stronghold and about 36,000 inhabitants of the districtstill speak the language, about the same number as at the turn of the

They fear their language is being overwhelmed by a massive influx of tourists and Germanspeaking settlers. Since 1850, the proportion of Romansh-spakers in the language's home Canton has shrunk from nearly half to less than a quarter.

Romansh, a collection of five ianguages, is an ancient hybrid of Latin, generally thought to have been founded when the Romans conquered this alpine region in 15

Its supporters insist that it is not a fossil and are determined that it

shall not go the way of such nearextinct languages as Manx or Cornish in Britain or Provencal in

People have been saying Romansh is dying since the 16th century," said Bernard Cathomas, secretary of the Ligia Romonischa, a pressure-group for the language. "But in fact it has proved remarkably resilient."

Despite this quality, the langnage is now under threat as never before as Romansh-speakers leave the isolated valleys where it flourished and go to German-speaking towns like Chur itself in search of jobs.

"Romansh has been wellconserved because it is a peasant language," said Dr. Cathomas. "But that means it is limited, too. It has not found it easy to adapt to twentieth century needs."

Romansh was recognised as the fourth national language in 1938, mainly to confound suspected designs on Switzerland by Hitler in the north and Mussolini in the south. But this did little to stem the tide of "Germanisation" sweeping the region in the postwar years because it did not encourage use of the language in day-to-day speech.

Romansh has not been able to use modern mass media to stay on

the tip of the public tongue because speakers of the language have never been able to agree on which of its five varieties should be

used for general communication.
The Ligia Romontscha is out to change all that. It is now publishing a series of books containing scientifically-invented Romansh vocabulary for all kinds of modern professional and leisure activities.

To overcome disputes between the different dialects, a Zurich linguistics professor, Heinrich Schmid, has this year produced a new artificial language based on

A lively government-supported publishing industry in Romansh is also helping to breathe life into the language. Output includes several novels a year, selling about 1,000 copies a time, histories and chil- itself. dren's books. Schools in the traditional

Romansh strongholds teach in the language up to the age of 14, and the Ligia Romontscha is trying to get the amount taught at higher levels stepped up.
The Ligia is also pushing for more radio and television broad-

casts in Romansh from a small studio in Chur and more Romansh newspapers and magazines.

For extra support in its campaign, the Ligia is counting on

latent distrust towards Switzerland's German-speaking majority amongst the two other language minorities, the French and Italian-speakers, Dr.

Cathomas said. "After all Switzerland, which is built out of so many small parts, is very sensitive to the wishes of minorities," he said. "If it weren't it would be undermining its whole foundation.

As a result, the government's new preservation plan, to be unveiled, is likely to incorporate a good deal of the Ligia's demands. But perhaps the most ambitious

Romansh project of all is an academic labour of love also taking place in Chur -- one which started nearly a century ago and may even outlive the language

It is the first effort at compiling a definitive dictionary of the language. The "Institut Dal Dicziunari Rumantsch Grischun' started publishing this mammoth work in 1938, and the seven large volumes in print so far go up to the letter "G"

The editor, Prof. Alexi Decurtins, said the work was conceived around 1900. "It was to be a monument... nobody then gave Romansch more than 20 years,"

New brand of cheese for English palate

By William MacLean

LONDON - A new cheese devised by scientists for the British palate has been launched in a blaze of publicity - but some shoppers are wondering where to

Demand for Lymeswold, billed as Britain's first new cheese in 200 years, soared after Agriculture Minister Peter Walker was seen on television tucking into what he called "one of the great national successes of the next 12 months."

Now the tiny Lymeswold creamery in the west of England is working 24 hours a day, seven days a week to meet orders. The soft, blue-veined cheese

has a white exterior mould and is more like a French cheese than the hard varieties traditionally made in Britain.

Dairy Quest, the manufacturer, aimed to win a fat slice of Britain's £750 million (\$1.2 billion) cheese market, but now admits it bit off more than it could chew. Advertisements declare: "You can't hurry a good cheese."

Lymeswold was launched last September on what the manufacturers later realised was an unusually quiet day for news and here is classified as soft. the story got extensive television and press coverage.

A company spokesman said: "This created a demand that was impossible to satisfy. Then the shortage became the news story and this created a still greater shortage." .

Flood of orders

Big chain store orders have flooded into the small factory at the village of Cannington in

Lymeswold went on sale at about £2.40 a pound (\$9.70 per kg), slightly more expensive than French Brie, but soon a major retailer, Tesco, found it could sell four times the amount it was able to buy.

select west London emporium where the price tag reads £4 a pound (\$14 per kg), says customers buy it up as soon as it goes on the shelves.

Marketing executives are staggered by Lymeswold's suc-

Britons are traditionally fond of harder types of cheese such as Cheddar and Cheshire and only four per cent of the cheese eaten

According to statistics of the English country cheese council, a promotion body for the industry, Britons eat less of the food than any other country in Western Europe, apart from Ireland. And almost 70 per cent of the cheese they do eat is hard, mild Cheddar, quite unlike the continental-style Lymeswold.

The French eat three times as much cheese as Britons. They get through 18 kg (40 pounds) per head per year, Italians 14 kg (31 nounds).

Lymeswold was born from research showing that travelling Britons were bringing home a taste for soft cheeses like Brie.

Historical background

Even Fortnum and Mason, a Scientists worked 18 months for Dairy Quest, the production arm of the milk marketing board, an official monopoly, to produce a

> Marketing men made up the name Lymeswold to suggest a historic pastoral background and Dairy Quest spent £2.5 million (\$4 million) fitting the Cannington creamery with equipment from West Germany.

When sales took off, the tiny is creamery was overwhelmed.

The cheese takes 14 days to d ripen but needs several more to mature fully. Factory manager n Richard Savage says demand has n been so heavy that customers are r. being allowed to buy and eat the is cheese when it is still hard, bland d

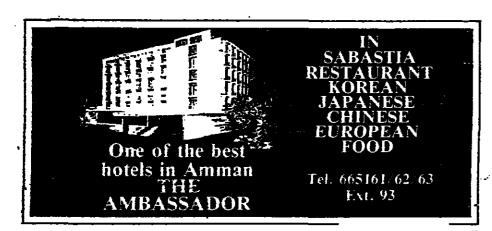
and not at its best. Caerphilly, developed in the g late eighteenth century, is e believed by some to be the most 5 recent of the great British cheeses is -- Cheddar, Stilton, Derbyshire, ir Double Gloucester, Lancashire, Leicester, Wensleydale and Che- o

But cheese expert Patrick 0 Rance disputes Lymeswold's claim to great novelty, saying farmhouse dairies have created about 30 other new varieties in the past two centuries.

Mr. Rance, who runs a cheese shop near London, complains that production of these independent varieties is being discouraged by the milk marketing board.

The board itself is feeling satisfied. A spokesman said media coverage of the launch of Lymeswold brought publicity worth about £5 million (\$8 million). "We're delighted," he said. -

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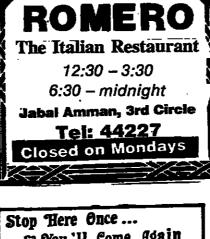












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Black and white dilemma

EOLOGY never works in politics. Presnt Reagan and his administration tried it the dispute over the Siberian gas pipeline, t it never worked; the episode even hurt the S. and its allies more than it did their versaries, the Soviets. That is why ashington, in its current efforts to find a nprehensive Middle East settlement, has to ntimue ignoring fundamental Palestinian ints to independence and statehood in our of Arab and Palestinian recognition of "ael's right to exist as the only viable option. bringing political stability to this troubled

This seems to be the essence of current merican thinking on the Palestinian quesn, as outlined to Jordanian journalists by S. Senator Paul Tsongas during his short ait to Jordan on Wednesday and Thursday. e senator, who does not necessarily repent the Reagan administration views on 's problem, has since left us for Israel to utinue a fact-finding mission to a number of iddle East countries, but his words raise the bject of what Arabs ought to do under the esent circumstances.

Are we Arabs tuned to the American wavelength, even though it is difficult for us to accept the cruelty of politics when it comes to compromising our basic rights? Can we afford to believe that our "ideological" position has to be modified in order to meet Israel's "historical" claims to our territories on American "pragmatic" grounds? Well, and for well-known reasons, we have expressed willingness to talk, among ourselves, with the Americans and even the Israelis about the answers. But, it seems, nobody-especially the U.S.-wants to hear anything less than black and white answers

The problem now lies not in that we cannot take clear-cut decisions at this stage and sell them in black or white, but in being unsure about the results, especially in view of an adamant Israeli rejection of all reasonable resolutions. It is not at all a question of ideology, like the Americans want us to make believe. If we are indeed indecisive, the U.S. need not look far to find the reason: Israel is at arm's length from the White House in Washington.

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A Ra'i: Jordanian-Palestinian will restrengthened

c cable of congratulations His Majesty King received from prominent Jordanian and destinian personalities on the occasion of his urn home is a typical expression of the Jordanian l Palestinian people's feelings in support of the cere efforts the King made in the service of the lestinian cause and rights.

ilt also expresses condemnation of those who usesly try to thwart the Jordanian-Palestinian joint rch through casting doubts on its purposes and empting to split Palestinian ranks.

This clear stand is an invitation to all Arabs to -Sport the joint march of the two peoples, remind-; them of their national responsibilities towards 1: common cause, and at the same time reminding ise who fail down such responsibilities that the o peoples' will is strong enough to rebuff all

Justour: Israel -- a mentality without limit to ambitions

, fore President Reagan's Sept. 1 initiative for rice in the Middle East, the U.S. policy centred on and undebatable concept for peace, that which trantees "security" for Israel. And although the seli concept of "security" is a loose and undeable one, the successive U.S. administrations ande of it a prerequisite for any consideration of Middle East conflict.

The Reagan initiative opened the way for a new I more balanced outlook to the issue. Following adventurist Israeli military campaign, a feeling partnership in Israeli aggressive trends seems to we led the U.S. policymakers to reconsider their ands to introduce a two-sided perspective, aranteeing Israeli "security" on the one hand and seeking a peaceful settlement for the conflict

s, the other.
! Following the Israeli invasion of Lebanon, sevil Israeli official announcements were made to effect that Israel's borders are those made by aeli tanks. Such an expansionist attitude put the S. before a special responsibility to assess its nd towards the issue of defending such a condistortion attempts and sabotage of their cohesion.

The crystallisation of a future unionist relationship between the two peoples is underway, as it is a real expression of their common interests, and the historical ties that characterised their existence. Moreover, it is an important step on the way to liberating the occupied Palestinian territories and

The efforts the King makes to save Palestinian land, and defend Palestinian rights are an example to be followed by all these who really honour their national commitments, and genuinely care to see Jordanian-Palestinian ties take their natural shape; and it is only natural that the King's national concerns meet all the support and appreciation of the Jordanian-Palestinian family.

cept, which only sees Israel's "security" in the violation of other states' rights, sovereignty and sec-

Israel is not only a state without geographical boundaries, but also a mentality without limits of its ambitions. And as the Jewish state rejects any peaceful settlement based on justice and international legitimacy, it is certain that any effort for establishing peace in the region in accordance with Israeli ambitions will be futile.

Israel's "security," according to the Israeli perspective, can not be adopted by the U.S. administration, or else this would subject the whole region and its peace to an Israeli blackmail aimed at forcing the world community to accept a U.S. backed Israeli "peace" based on aggression, annexation and expansion.

It is now quite absurd to imagine that a kind of peace based on Israeli preconditions can lead anywhere. The Lebanese-Israeli negotiations facing obstacles consistently can only demonstrate the impossibility of having peace with giving the Israeli ambitions space to decide the course of things.

Interview with General Zia: His beliefs, his hold over power and the way forward

By Alain Cass

ISLAMABAD — When General Zia UI Haq, guided as he believes by the hand of God, seized power in Pakistan on July 5, 1977, Yuri Andropov was head of the KGB and on his way to the top. Five and a half years later, the man who dreams of rurning one of the world's poorest nations into a model Islamic state and the new leader of atheist Russia met across a table in the Kremlin to talk about defusing the crisis in Afebanistan.

Mr. Andropov, peering through his thick spectacles at the short; stiff figure opposite, may well have savoured the irony of the situation especially if, as some would have the world believe, the former KGB chief opposed his predecessor's decision to send

Soviet troops into Afghanistan. The irony lies in the fact that it was this decision, as much as anything else, which turned General Zia into an important figure on the world stage -- someone whose survival was suddenly seen as vital to the integrity of Pakistan, the stability of the region and the interests of the West in stemming the expansion of Soviet power.

The U.S. has since negotiated a major arms and aid package with Pakistan, effectively underwriting President Zia's martial law for the foreseeable future. President Zia himself is now treated as a legitimate head of state, as he was in Moscow at the funeral of the late Leonid Brezhnev and as he was when he went to Washington for talks with President Ronald Reagan in early December.

Even Mrs. Indira Gandhi, India's Prime Minister, and ruler of the world's largest democracy, conferred her blessing on a regime she has often castigated when she met General Zia in November.

One hour interview

As he prepared for his trip to Washington, Zia spent an hour talking about his beliefs, his hold on power and, as he sees it, the way forward for Pakistan 35 years after it was carved out of British

Wearing a traditional kneelength sherwani, Pakistan's chief of staff, chief martial law administrator and self-appointed President was, as usual, the epitome of courtesy and disarming frankness. He makes no apologies for himself, his regime or his methods. He may carry a big stick but he speakssoftly with no hint of false modesty or, for that matter, vanity.

"Martial law," he says, "to a country with democratic principles like Britain is a red rag. I know. But I have no inhibitions about myself. I am not an elected representative. I am a military leader who imposed his will and has assumed power in order to save his country from the brink of civil war. But I am not a dictator. "You could say," he adds with a

smîle, "I was an autocrat at WOISE. This is certainly a matter of

opinion. But he is right on two counts. Under his rule democracy in Pakistan, free speech and free political choice have been put safely out of reach. Political parties are banned, the press is cowed, radio and TV are government mouthpieces and those who dissent are sent to jail or

General Zia's military courts dispense summary justice, not as he says "in six years as would a civilian court," but in "six weeks or six days. And it is more spectacular." He says that, of all the capital punishment cases brought before him, be has never once felt

clemency." he says, "once the law has decided a man is guilty and a punishment is death."

That such a modest, almost humble, man, who is said to enjoy a warm and close family life, should not be able to show mercy is a chilling paradox. But he is also right when he says that when he seized power Pakistan was on the brink of chaos, still searching for its identity as an independent nation, deprived of Bangladesh after the 1971 war with India and composed solely of four deeply divided provinces.

Catch its breath

Even his opponents find it hard to argue when the general says that politics in Pakistan for the past 35 years has meant "violence, disturbances, fear, corruption and polarisation". Pakistan's experiment with democracy under Zulfikar Ali Bhutto, the last elected Prime Minister, and the man who appointed General Zia as his chief of staff, and, unwittingly, as his executioner, was a disaster.

Since then General Zia. through a combination of guile, force and sheer tenacity, has given Pakistan a stability of sorts and a chance to catch its breath. He has shrewdly retired or removed to a safe distance potential rivals within the armed forces. He has reduced the politicians to virtual insignificance.

He has embarked on a strategic relationship with the U.S. against the advice of some of those around him who believe Pakistan's nonaligned status is in danger. And he has, by a combination of good fortune, good management and foreign loans, managed to keep the Pakistani economy afloat. Growth the urge to commute any sen- rates have averaged over 6 per

plentiful, industry is expanding and inflation has fallen. "Allah has been good," he says.

Last January President Zia inaugurated a 288-member council of carefully vetted members. which he views as an interim assembly. He has said reneatedly that elections will be held "when the time is ripe," though he admitted that he foresaw a dominant and permanent role for the armed forces at the pinnacle of any future political structure.

"It is the only way to avoid the cycle of martial law and chaos. he said. "In a small country like Pakistan, it is important that the army should have a role." He also says that the process of government should be "suitable to the psyche of the people of Pakistan." To his opponents this sounds ominously like a recipe for indefinite military rule.

Islamic state

But General Zia's real passion and the one which serves to reinforce his image as an authoritarian ruler who wants his people to do as they're told is Islam and his vision of an Islamic state. He prays five, sometimes six times a day, even interrupting state meetings to do so. Recently on a visit to North Korea be broke off a meeting with Communist leader Kim il-Sung to pray in adjacent room.

President Zia believes in fate, and is convinced that God has chosen him for his present task. "Everyone who is born," he says, is destined to every morsel he receives in his life. I am a humble man. I am a sinner. In my case the taking of the reins of government was an act of destiny.

The image of Iran's turbulent Islamic revolution has made him

tences, "There is no reason for cent annually, harvests have been particularly sensitive -- he wants to build relations with the West and attract foreign technology --to accusations, as he put it, that Islam meant hanging, inchies and chopping off heads and

> In Pakistan, he insists, Islam will mean merely the retinement of society for a hetter and cleaner life. "Islam is a progressive and. flexible faith," he says. "It is not bigoted or fanatical. Some people call me a fundamentalist but I am not." Understandably, his claim that his mission is ordained by God means, as one critic put it, that "he can do what the bell he likes." Said another: "The fact is that he enjoys power and has no intention of giving it up if he can helo it.

Naturally, General Zia denies this. "When the time comes, I shall retire and play golf." He adds that if his regime did not have what he describes as the tacit approval of the people:"I assure you they would have taken me and all of us down the street and taken our trousers down by now." As a soldier, General Zia saw action both in World War II, and in two wars against India. Nobody would accuse him of cowardice and he gives the impression of a man who would be reconciled to death when it came.

There are those who warn that Pakisian cannol forever be goveried without the open consent of its people. There is a head of steam building up which will eventually blow," says one politician. Perhaps, but for the time being the well-mannered dictator of Pakistan seems comfortably settled in his assumed role as mentor of a confused nation searching for a

- Financial Times news feature

Critical year ahead for South Africa

By David Reid

JOHANNESBURG - South Africa, ended 1982 under a barrage of criticism for its commando raid into Lesotho and its stand on independence for Namibia (South West Africa), seems to be facing a critical year abead.

The early months of 1983 could prove crucial, Western diplomats believe, not only for achieving an internationally acceptable settlement in Namibia, the former German colony ruled by South Africa in defiance of world opinion, but also for Prime Minister P.W. Botha's cautious drive for race reforms at home. One of the highlights of 1982 was the first direct government contact between South Africa and Angola, haven for Namibian guerrillas fighting white rule and base of an estimated 18,000 Cuban troops supporting the Marxist rulers in

Luanda. Last month's meeting in the Cape Verde islands is expected to . be followed by another at a time and place still to be decided. But the fact that the two sides met at all is considered a hopeful sign

sador David Steward was allowed to put his case - angered South Africa and reinforced its con-

African states, Cuba and the Soviet Union - would clear the way to peace in a bush war which has dragged on for nearly 17 years. And it could lead to a new era of stability in southern Africa, in the view of most diplomats in Johannesburg. The five Western contact group nations -- the United States, Britain, France, West Germany and Canada --

which have been striving to speed a Namibian settlement abstained in the U.N. General Assembly votes against South Africa on Namibia. Continued optimism

Western spokesman including

President Reagan have declared

their continued optimism that a

settlement will be reached, while

South African Foreign Minister

The unanimous Security Council

vote condemning the raid - taken

before South African Ambas-

tention that the U.N. cannot be

It was this distrust of the U.N.,

which regards the guerrilla South

West Africa People's Organ-

Pik Botha has put the chances of overcoming the Cuban problem as "50 per cent plus." On the other hand, the raid on Maseru, described by Pretoria as a pre-emptive strike against African National Congress (ANC) guerrilla bases there, could prove yet another complication in the tortuous road to peace in Namibia.

that the current imbroglio over the Cuban presence might be solved. A formula agreeable to both sides - as well as to the black

> trusted as an impartial supervisor of free elections planned for an independent Namibia.

isation as sole legal representative of the Namibian people, that wrecked the Geneva conference on implementing the peace plan nearly two years ago. However, South African officials argue that the Maseru raid, like a similar operation in the suburbs of Maputo, the Mozambican capital, in January 1981 and a series of raids against SWAPO bases in Angola, was aimed at protecting the people of South Africa and Namibia, black and white, against communist-inspired subversion

and terrorism.

The South Africans reject charges that it is they who are seeking to destabilise the region and say they are ready at any time to sign non-aggression pacts with their neighbours. These views were doubtless conveyed by Prime Minister Botha to Zambian President Kenneth Kaunda at their meeting on the South African-Botswanan border last April and again when Foreign Minister Pik Botha had a surprise border meeting with Mozambique officials last month following the talks with the

What happens in Namibia, which has only about 75,000 whites in a population of more than one million, could also affect the political future of South

Mr. Botha and his National Party are anxious to see a Namibian settlement that would instal a democratically-elected and friendly government in Namibia. Anything else, especially the prospect of "the red flag flying over Windhoek", as Mr. Botha

put it, would be seized on by right-wing opponents as selling the white in Namibia, mostly Afrikaners, down the river.

A testing time for Mr. Botha will come at the end of February when the term of office of the present national assembly in Namibia is due to expire after a threemonth extention. Mr. Botha reluctantly agreed to the extension the Namibian political leader Dirk Mudge, a white farmer, and replace him with a black politician thought to have a better chance of leading anti-SWAPO forces to victory at the polls.

Uncertainty

What happens if no settlement is in the offing at the end of February is still uncertain. South Africa might resort to another round of internal elections like those that brought Mr. Mudge's multi-racial Democratic Turnhalle Alliance to power in November 1978. These polls were not recognised internationally, and are unlikely to be any more acceptable in 1983. They would risk delaying a settlement even further, increasing tensions in the

At home, Mr. Botha is awaiting vital decisions by the Coloured (mixed race) and Asian communities this month on his proposals for a sharing of white power with the two groups in a threechamber parliament. The prime minister badly needs their support before the proposals go before parliament. Mr. Botha's hand has been strengthened by recent byelection victories over both the right-wing rebei Conservatives who broke away from the National Party last March and the extreme right as represented by the Herligte Nasionale Party.

The latest of a series of opinion polls also backs Mr. Botha's view that a favourable climate for reform exists in South Africa. In a survey of Whites. Coloureds and Asians, the council found that 57 per cent of whites felt that blacks who lived outside the present self-governing homelands should be represented on the president's council, a body created in 1981 to replace the upper house of parliament, from which blacks are excluded.

And 48 per cent of the whites thought that without such a share in the constitutional process there was no chance of peace among the population groups.

Opposition leader Frederik Van Zyl Slabbert of the Progressive Federal Party has said the exclusion of South Africa's 21 million black majority is the fatal flaw in the reform plans.

But right-wingers such as Comie Mulder of the Conservative Party rejected the poll findings and declared: "At grass roots level the voters do not even want Coloureds and Indians on the president's council."

Leading anti-apartheid cam-paigner Sheena Duncan, presdent of the Black Sash Movement seeking a better deal for blacks, said in a recent article that Mr. Botha's proposed changes were not reform, but aimed at entrenching white power.

Singapore's Lee is looking for a uccessor and intelligent opposition

Mr. Jeyaretnam and other

opposition leaders refuse to

believe the tough prime minister

has suddenly gone soft. Mr. Jey-aretnam says he fears Mr. Lee

might devise new ways, including

a change in the present British-

style constitution, to create a tame

parliamentary opposition. He

said, however, Mr. Lee could not

go on pushing the line that the

opposition was unnecessary and

irrelevant. "Given all my imper-

fections, Singaporeans are clever

enough to understand the need for

an opposition," Mr. Jeyaretnam said. He is worried that Mr. Lee's

pronouncements might be a pre-

lude to fielding PAP candidates

disguised as independents to dis-

Mr. Lee might also be preparing the public for any defeats PAP

candidates might well suffer in

future elections, he added. The

next general election is not due

sources said that the government

might call a number of by-

elections in the next few months to

test the ground. The PAP, with a

massive and well-geared political

machinery, is too strong and

ition group to mount a serious

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late 1984, but political

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By Francis Daniel Reuter

NGAPORE - Singapore's teran Prime Minister Lee Kuan w says he is looking for a suit-I de successor to step into his i oes by the end of the decade. nd he has indicated that new reasures are under study to troduce more opposition memrs to parliament without upsetig his hold on power.

s He told a recent session of his Dling People's Action Party d AP) that a "more intelligent" position was needed to provide that he called sparring partners Wr younger leaders he is groomlag. Mr. Lee is now 59 and has en in power since the island Itate's independence in 1965. He farys he will have to relinquish the gemiership by the end of the

FPMr. Lee's statement to the PAP Forprised many Singaporeans and 'y'reign diplomats, particularly ter a sustained government hitmpaign against organised disont for the past year. The camtign came after a surprise byection victory by Workers Party -ader J.B. Jeyaremam, who the first opposition

Liver to enter the 75-seat parament in 16 years.

Opposition groups

There are about a dozen opposition groups, but all are weak and fragmented. Their growth has been stifled to a large extent by government restraints, but Mr. Jeyaretnam says the opposition was gaining silent support from Singapore's 2.4 million people. Mr. Lee himself accepted Mr. Jeyaretnam's election as "not a bad thing for the PAP," although he described the opposition leader as man of limited political capa-"I have come to the conclusion

that we have to ensure that several better and more intelligent opposition members are in parliament," the prime minister said. "Without opposition members, the younger team has no sparring partners. They need real sparring partners to keep fit and agile. We may have to make some changes to bring this about.'

Mr. Lee did not say what he had in mind. Some political sources said the PAP might decide not to contest some seats if it was assured of the two-thirds majority in parliament needed to make constitutional changes. The government might also be considering the possibility of creating an upper house where independents could be nominated, the sources said.

Only a year ago, immediately after Mr. Jeyaretnam's election, Mr. Lee said he considered a parliamentary opposition only of nuisance value, aimed at upsetting the smooth running of his administration that has made Singapore a major commercial and financial centre in Southeast Asia. He has apparently changed his mind on this, but still insists there is no alternative to his party.

He declared that "the PAP has been synonymous with the government. And the government is Singapore." He made clear be would only allow the opposition room to point out pitfalls to the government, not overthrow it. Otherwise, he said, younger PAP leaders would not be able to gain enough experience before they took over after 1990.

There was no suggestion that Mr. Lee was about to embrace a system that would entail easing restraints on the media, enhancing safeguards for civil liberties or allowing trade unions and other mass organisations full political freedom. He said his present preoccupation was to find a suitable person to succeed him, "The final handing of the baton is not going to happen immediately," he said. "But it cannot be delayed beyond this decade."



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Yet one can be much more

objective in one's choices and

ensuing actions after pondering on

the meaning of adjustment. For it

does not necessarily means buying

things wholesale in a package

deal. It is a settlement with reality

that does not necessarily entail

embracing it whole, but simply

The woman in the restaurant is

a symbol of the disquieting future.

Adjustment to her presence does

not have to involve any personal

judgement in her favour. To dis-

miss her presence is to delude one-

self; to condemn her is to be unjust

and irrational; to dictate certain

reservations is to be patronising.

coming to terms with it.

Why is a woman alone in a restaurant such a shock?



Salwa El Taher

As soon as I entered the restaurant. I wished I had never set foot in it. It always takes me by surprise. the effect I create. If I had a girl friend with me. a child, a dog. somehow things wouldn't be so bad. As it turned out, I had only a

small package in my hands. I affected an air of studied indifference and chose the first empty table I could spot. It was a corner table, behind the door leading to the kitchen, but I could not bear to look further. So many looks were fixed on me, as if of one accord, freezing my movements.

I sat down, barricading myself with my purse and my package on the table. I felt flushed and hot, but dared not take off my jacket yet, lest the gesture be interpreted as an invitation of some sort. A man came forward on his way to the door, and stared at me steadily, adjusting his tie with selfsatisfaction.

I was reprieved by the waiter who came to take my order. "One seven-up, please." I explained: "I am waiting for someone."

And then I was furious with myself. Need I justify my presence even to the waiter? But, in a way, I had to explain why I was ordering only a drink during lunch-hour. Everything was fine then. There was no reason to be self-conscious or to project my own uneasiness.

The fact remained that I could not let my eyes drift anywhere in the room without catching someone else's, if only for a second. Curious looks from families; friendly inquisitive looks from women; amused looks from couples. I was not dressed to attract attention -- a pleated brown-checkered skirt, beige blouse and beige jacket.

I remembered a woman I used to see when I was very young, during summer holidays with my parents. in the Palestine Hotel in Alexandria. Every morning at the same hour, this same woman sat at the same table facing the sea. alone. I remembered thinking she was the picture of misery. Poor woman, I thought even now; she must have felt like a fish out of water in the midst of all those exuberant families.

I sighed at the memory and now felt the need to do something with my hands. I fumbled for cigarettes and lighter. I never smoke before meals, but felt this would give me countenance. I noticed the menu

propped up on the table, reached for it and started to read it. Boneless chicken... steak au poivre... shish kebab... what shall it be? Someone, next to me was humming a tune from one of Om Kalthum's love songs; softly, the?

make me very uncomfortable." (This from a male friend.) -- "But why?

-- "Because I would feel called upon to do something about it!" -- "Such as what?"

-- "I don't know, exactly, Help louder and louder. Surprised, I her, console her, approach her.

"I can't imagine a woman going out to eat alone unless she has some serious marital or family problems, or she's in a really desperate state. Her presence would make me very uncomfortable."

raised my eyes, only to see two pools of naked greed staring unashamed and unabashed. A proprietor's insistent look. I reached for the package in front of me and opened it. I might not have anyone with me, but I had a pen and enough paper to write about a woman going into a restaurant

. As modern life means more and more women going out to work, travelling on their own and living on their own, it also means more and more women eating out alone. And yet this is one area where I've heard some of the most anacbronistic comments. These reported reactions are those of both male and female friends of

-- "A woman eating out alone? you must be kidding me!" commented one friend. laughing

incredulously. - "I cannot imagine a woman going out to eat alone unless she has some serious marital or family problems, or she's in a really desp-

-- "But what has it got to do with you, personally?"

-- "I'm not sure, I tell you. I just

know I would feel compelled to act, that's all." Another friend tried to dodge

the issue: -- "Eating is such a social thing. you see," he said. "A woman on

her own just seems to break the pattern completely. A man eating out alone is not such a common phenomenon either, you have to "Granted, but he would

hardly attract so much attention or mixed feelings, now, would he?" -- "No, I expect he wouldn't." Another friend had some

strange reservations: -- "My reaction to her would depend on her appearance."

-- What do you mean by that?" -- "I mean, if she is reasonably dressed and made up. I would glance at her then leave her alone. A woman friend had reservations of a different nature: -- "It would all depend on the

way she acts," she informed me. "-- How's that?" -- "I mean, if she looks calm and confident, if she acts as if she attitudes we have held so far. Such knows what she's doing, as if she is the pace of modern life that it belongs, then I accept her pre-makes us shoot at a moving target, sence as normal.

Guilty until proven innocent: adjust our aim. her very presence called into question; her clothes appraised, her gestures under surveillance... a woman is expected not just to be herself, but to act in a certain way in order to be 'accepted' in a restaurant.

A woman eating alone in a restaurant represents the unfamiliar and disquieting future. People's reactions to her betray all the symptoms described by Alvin Toffler in his best-selling book. Future Shock.

Among those he calls the victims of Future Shock', Alvin Toffler lists four types. The first type he calls the Denier:

One widespread response to high-speed change is outright denial. The Denier's strategy is to block out unwelcome reality."

Among my friends, the one who says: "A woman eating alone? you mnust be kidding me" would fall in this category, dismissing the phenomenon as highly impropable or underisable, therefore impossible. According to Toffler:

'An unknowing victim of future shock. The Denier sets himself up for personal catastrophe. His strategy for coping increases the likelihood that when he finally is forced to adapt, his encounter with change will come in the form of a single massive life crisis. rather than a sequence of manageable problems.

A sequence of manageable problems, isn't that what life should ideally be? To live on the alert, on the look out for change. to spot it, recognise it and stop to re-assess our reactions to it, to redefine the hand-me-down constantly requiring that we re-

The second type of future shock victim is what Toffler calls The Specialist'. To read about him is to read about a very familiar type in the Third World:

"The specialist doesn't block out all novel ideas or information. Instead, he energetically attempts to keep pace with change-but only in a specific narrow sector of life. Thus we witness the spectacle of the physician or financier who makes use of all the latest innovations in his profession. but remains rigidly closed to any suggestion for social, political, or economic innovation.

The Specialist is a misleading

character, for he projects a prog-

ressive image within his field. Be it

nuclear physics or space explo-

ration. But back on earth he holds

fast to his traditional legacies. His

technological advance masks.

excuses and is often even used to

justify his reactionary social

In reality, he has stunted one

type of growth for another. And it

must be much easier, it is true.

after a day spent grappling with

fluctuating and evasive data, to

come back to a stable haven pre-

senting no extra challenges or new

people everywhere have to try to

Technology being what it is,

Middle Ages?"

"Who cares if we are propelling our children into

the twenty-first century with attitudes from the

keep up with it. Human relations. on the other hand, might as well wait for another milleniums. And who cares if we are propelling our children into the twenty-first century with attitudes from the Mid-

dle Ages? Social planners should. For they must be aware of the extreme dangers of a society whose sectors develop at uneven rates. The individual is pulled in different directions and the texture of social life is made up of contradictions that

engender conflicts and stress.

Technology has everywhere

turned into a monster because cul-

ture and behaviour lag behind. There is, of course, 'an alternative to the harassing process of modernisation. We can choose to be what Toffler calls an enclave of the past's For these do exist; they

are societies where the rate of

change is artificially checked and

controlled. They serve as tem-

porary havens for societies grap-

Says Toffler: "By proliferating

enclaves of the past. living

museums as it were, we increase

the chances that someone will be

there to pick up the pieces in case

It all depends on whether we

want to make history or to hold

back as reserves to reconstruct it.

in case it explodes; assuming, of

course, that the explosion will be

selective enough to spare those

who decide not to play the game.

pling with the future.

of massive calamity.

But to pass a value-judgement

is unnecessary, for anyone feels

threatened and insecure when having to take a stand on unfamiliar ground. A simple statement of fact: "She has as much right to be

here as myself is the reaction one might expect from a reasonable person, who could then proceed with his or her meal without disturbing anybody's digestion.

For what are we as people, if not the sum of our view-points and

attitudes? Surely not the sum of our achievements and acquis-

itions, which often leave us empty-handed and with nowhere else to turn. Our attitudes are our key to harmony and growth, an

on-going process of limitless scope and boundless dimensions.

Moscow grumbles at warm 'unhealthy' winter

By Brian Killen Reuter

MOSCOW - Muscovites, who normally delight in freezing cold at this time of the year, are grumbling after the warmest December in more than a century.

"An apology for a winter," one lumewife complained as she trudged through duty puddles of thawing snow on Christmas day.

Groups of Moscow children who normally skale on ked-over tennis counts at this time of year have been moping indoors as average temperatures in the city. where 25 degrees Celsius (minus 13 degrees Fahrenheit) of frost was once normal in winter. hovered around five or six degrees Ceisius (4) to 42 degrees Fahrenheit) above zero for most of December.

lemperatures at the beginning of January plunged to minus 20 degrees Celsius iminus four degrees Fahrenheit) but there was still no snow for skiing and weather torecasts said temperatures for many parts of the Soviet Union would remain gen- cow roads, can be explained by a erally higher than normal for the month.

Weather experts appear to be divided over the cause of the unusually warm Soviet weather and some are saying the winters which brought grief to the invading armies of Napoleon and Hitler could now be a thing of the past.

has been milder," one expert was quoted as saying in a Soviet news-But Muscovites, many of whom

freezing cold, would rather believe those who say 1982 has been a year of freak weather pat-The official Soviet news agency TASS said some Soviet and

American scientists blamed the warm weather on a major volcano eruption in Mexico last March. It quoted them as saying that after next year it will be safer to predict Soviet winters.

Others have said the drab winter, characterised by piles of grey slush along the sides of Mosseries of cyclones moving one after the other and cutting off the Arctic from the European part of

the Soviet Union. But whatever the theory, Muscovites are heaving sighs of despair and asking what has happened to the Soviet winter as the latest weather reports predict "Since the 1930s, our climate further "light frosts and thaws."

Many look back fondly to 1978--when New Year celebrations got under way in what one report described as "an exhibitata" ing 30 degrees of frost." seem to take masochistic delight in

Enduring rigorous winter conditions has become a matter of pride for many Soviet citizens and the hardiest among them, nicknamed "walruses." relish the lowest possible temperatures for their daily plunge into icy rivers. Press articles have harked back

This year Muscovities in fur hats, long-johns and several layers of clothing have looked uncomfortably warm, and melting icerinks have been a major topic of conversation.

"This is bad for our health." one elderly man said.

Foreign journalists and diplomats whose favourite winter pastime is a game called broomball have been more miserable than most. Broomball has been described as a form of ice-hocky played in soft shoes on a frozen tennis court.

"A backlog of matches is building up and we will have to rearrange the fixture list, one journalist commented.

More serious could be the problems abnormal warmth might create for the Soviet Union's important grain harvest. Farming experts say the crop, which is regularly plagued by poor weather. could be at risk if fields not covered by snow are then hit by

The official TASS news agency has said that even in the vast region of Siberia there was hardly any snow in December and the weather has been mild for the first time in many years.



Snow and freezing conditions come as no hardship to Muscovites.

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English League giants begin F.A.Cup trial

LONDON (R) — The precarious road to Wembley begins in earnest Saturday when the 44 giants of the English first and second divisions enter the fray for the first time in the third round of the Football Association (F.A.) Cup.

Friday night the players of all 64 clubs in action can savour dreams of glory on Cup final day on May 22. Hat-tricks will be scored, penalties saved and medals , awarded.

All involved at second division Blackburn should make the most of such fantasies because reality. in the awesome shape of Liverpool, is likely to be a nightmare. But, traditionally, the third round of the F.A. Cup is a day of ziant-killing deeds and although Liverpool will undoubtedly sur-

vive there could be a number of big-name casualties, including Brian Clough. He takes his Nottingham Forest side, European Champions in 1979 and 1980 and currently Sourth in the League, to Derby

County, bottom of the second livision championship in 1972 and the club is now run by his ong-time assistant Peter Taylor, who would like nothing better England captains on their books han to put one over on his old

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The second division strugglers

nothing newsworthy happens at

entertain Bishops Stortford, one

of three non-League clubs to

have reached the third round, and

the part-timers are quietly con-

fident they can embarrass their

up to begins its defence of the Cup

cognisable from the team which

lifted the famed trophy less than

hold-ups look set to leave the hol-

ders' ranks severely depleted for

their third round clash at home to

Argentine World Cup star

Osvaldo Ardiles dealt the biggest

blow to manager Keith Burkinshaw. Ardiles, who had been

expected to play on Saturday after

returning to Tottenham from

Frenchclub Paris Saint Germain

United, third in the first division,

meet fifth-placed West Ham.

ted by U.K. experts.

The Tottenham side which lines

Saturday is almost unre-

Injury, illness and bureaucratic

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Southampton.

Malcolm Allison, who has

The other first division Nottingham Club. Notts County, also look vulnerable. They travel to second division Leicester, semifinalists last season and a force to be reckoned with on their own patch.

Nor can Ipswich be happy about their trip to Charlton. The first division outfit have struggled this season following the loss of manager Bobby Robson, now national team boss, and Dutch midfielder Arnold Muhren to Manchester United.

The Ipswich of old would have been merciless toward Charlton but the Londoners, with former European Footballer of the Year Allan Simonsen of Denmark in their ranks, are climbing out of trouble in the second division and could secure a place in the fourth round.

Fourth division Scunthorpe will also be confident of advancing to Clough led Derby to the first the last 32 at the expense of second division high-fliers Grimsby.

last month, was ruled out by the English F.A. Thursday because Scunthorpe, whose main claim they had not received his interto fame is that they have had three national clearance from the over the years--Kevin Keegan. French 14 days before the match. Ray Clemence and cricketer Ian But the biggest crowd will be at Old Trafford where Manchester

Borg, Connors clash in \$250,000 meet semi-final

ROSEMONT, Illinois (R) - Four of the world's top players are set for a pair of potentially exciting shootouts in the semi-finals of a \$250,000 professional tennis tournament here.

Bjorn Borg of Sweden, Americans Jimmy Connors and John McEnroe and Ivan Lendl of Czechoslovakia all go into the semifinals of the round robin without having lost a match.

Borg, a five-time Wimbledon winner, meets Connors, the current Wimbledon Champion. McEnroe, also a former Wimbledon winner, is to meet Lendl, who eliminated him from the U.S. Open last year. On Thursday night McEnroe beat compatriot Eliot Teltscher 7-6, 6-4, Borg defeated 19-year-old Henri Leconte of France 6-2, 6-7,

6-1 and Connors eliminated fellow-American Vitas Gerulaitis 6-1, 6-4. Lendl had qualified earlier by winning two matches. Leconte extended Borg through the second set with his all-out play, falling on the court three times as he dived for Borg's shots. After taking the tiebreaker 7-4, Leconte won a standing ovation

from a crowd of more than 11,000. Connors, normally aggressive, went to the net even more than usual in his victory over Gerulaitis and said later he had been too

relaxed in his second-round match against Leconte.

"So I thought it would be best to go forward, to pick up where I left off last year," he said. Connors won both Wimbledon and the U.S.

Soviets end successful hockey tour of U.S.

PHILADELPHIA (R) - The Soviet Union ended their sixmatch tour against clubs from the North American National Ice Hockey League by beating the Philadelphia flyers 5-1 (period scores: 2-0, 2-1, 1-0) here Thursday night.

The victory was the fourth against two defeats on the tour. Star goalkeeper Vladislav Tretiak played in all four of the victories while Vladimir Myshkin was in goal for the two matches the

Soviet side lost.

Mikhail Vasiliev and Vladimin Krutov scored in the first period, and the Russians increased their advantage at 9:01 of the second period when Igor Larionov converted slick passes from Vyacheslav Fetisov and Victor Tiumenev during a power play. Mark Howe scored Philadel

phia's only goal at 16:04 during a power play situation created when Philadelphia challenged Vasiliev's stick as being illegal. Referee Bruce Hood measured

Vasiliev's stick, found its curvature exceeded NHL rules and gave him a two-minute penalty.

Previously, Krutov's stick was measured and found to be illegal and he was given a minor penalty.

English cricket dies again; Australia regains the Ashes

SYDNEY (R) - Australia regained the Ashes after a fiveyear wait at the Sydney Cricket Ground Friday as England's challenge in the fifth and final cricket test predictably fell short.

Set to score 460 to level the series and retain the Ashes, for which the two sides have battled for 100 years, England had scored 314 for seven when time finally ran out on them.

England had virtually lost all chance of victory when they could not bowl Australia out cheaply, but yet again Friday their recognised batsmen failed. It was left to spin bowler Eddie Hemmings with a fine, fighting 95 to deny Australia the win which would have given them a 3-1 margin in the series.

Nightwatchman Hemmings, whose previous highest test total was 29, just missed a welldeserved century when he was caught behind by Rodney Marsh off spinner Bruce Yardley.

At the end, Australian captain Greg Chappell held aloft a small um-like trophy, presented by supporters and inscribed: "The Ashes. English cricket dies again. Fondly accepted by Greg Chappell and Co., Sydney Cricket Ground, Jan. 7, 1983."

Australia first beat England in a test in 1882 and sorrowing English cricket lovers put a funeral notice in the sporting times lamenting the death of English cricket. Ever since, an urn containing its 'Ashes' has been played for by

the two countries. Chappell, who said the winning of the Ashes was the highlight of his career, later announced he would stand down in favour of

Kim Hughes as captain in the limited-over one-day internationals against England and New Zealand starting next week.

Hughes, named Man of the Match, out victory beyond England's reach Thursday when he hit 137 runs in Australia's second innings of 382.

England then had to bat for 15 minutes and lost opener Geoff Cook for two. The other opener, Chris Tavare, fell for 16 Friday with the total on 55.

Tavare was not the only failure. David Gower went for 24 and Allan Lamb for 29, all three prized wickets falling to Yardley who finished with figures of four for 139. Derek Randali (44) and Ian

Botham (32) added 64 for the sixth wicket before fast bowler Jeff Thomson claimed them both in the space of three balls.

Even without the injured Dennis Lillee and Terry Alderman, Australia's pace attack was too hot for the inconsistent England batsmen and Geoff Lawson deservedly picked up the Manof-the-Series award for his haul of

There may have been an ele-ment of justice in Australia's failure to win the final test following the controversy surrounding at least two umpiring decisions.

Video replays showed John Dyson should have been given run out in the first over of the match before he went on to make 79 while English supporters still believe Hughes was out twice early in his great innings of 137,

But the series was played in a tremendous atmosphere of sportsmanship and England captain Bob Willis was on the field to congratulate every Australian player personally at the end.

Willis, who said he had no complaints about the outcome, added: We were beaten by a better side. There were one or two highlights for us, but not many and we've still got most of the problems we left England with."

"Fast bowlers and opening batsmen are things we can't produce in England at the moment and I think those two areas probably let us down more than any-

Italy's Oliva wins European light-welterweight title

FORIO D'ISCHIA, Italy (R) - Italian Patrizio Oliva won the European light-welterweight boxing title, crushing defending champion Robert Gambini of France with a cool and ruthless display of powerful punching.

Roared on by a fiercely partisan crowd. Oliva was never troubled as he emerged a comfortable points winner over 12 rounds. It was his 26 consecutive victory since he turned professional just over two years ago. "Things started well and I never had any prob-

lems." he commented. For Gambini, the defeat was a bitter disappointment in his first defence of the title he won against Briton Clinton McKenzie, dis-

qualified in London last October. Oliva, who won the light-welterweight Olympic title in Moscow in 1980, was always faster and stronger, battering the Frenchman with

vicious lefts and rights to the head. Gambini's face, a patchwork of cuts and bruises at the final bell. eloquently told the story of the punishment he soaked up.

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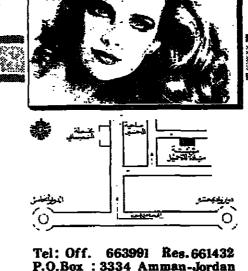
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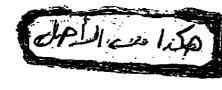
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finest aims. Find out what close ties expect of you. Keep

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) You can now develop

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) Express your talents to

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21) Take steps to

LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21) There is much work ahead of

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) Stay within your budget if

you go out for amusement or you will regret it later.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Handle routine chores early

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Good day to study your

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Make needed

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Making plans early in

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) A good day to engage

PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) Plan how to make your

future brighter. Listen to what co-workers have to sug-

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in recreational activities that appeal to you. Show more af-

the day to gain your personal goals is wise. Take time

changes in your surroundings and improve the quality of

your life. Make this a most productive day.

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in the day so you'll have time for recreation later. Be more

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NEWS IN BRIEF

Wall Street booms again

NEW YORK (R) — Wall Street is booming again with investors sending stock prices to a new peak despite repeated signals that the U.S. economy is still in the doldrums. The Dow Jones industriel average closed Thursday at 1,070.92, up 26 points for the day. The previous record was 1,070.55 on Dec. 27.

Tokyo stock market flourishes

TOKYO (R) - Share prices on the Tokyo stock exchange reached a record high Friday for the third successive day, buoyed by Wall Street's surge and expectations of an early cut in Japan's official discount rate. The number of shares changing hands was the biggest in nearly two years at 950 million and the market average finished 48.78 points higher at 8,169.29 after Thursday's 54.36 rise.

Value of sterling slips

LONDON (R) — Sterling's overall value against a basket of major currencies slipped to its lowest level in almost two years Thursday amid fresh unease about the outlook for the British economy. The trade-weighted index showed sterling at 82.9 per cent of its 1975 value, down from 83.5 Wednesday and its lowest level since the Bank of England started the current method of calculation in February 1981.

Israeli financial chief resigns

TEL AVIV (R) — The chairman of the board of directors of the Tel Aviv stock exchange, Dr. Meir Heth, has resigned after severe criticism of remarks he made attacking the working of the exchange. Dr. Heth told a press conference earlier in the week that the performances of some new companies wishing to sell shares in a currently booming market were not good enough, and warned investors that a sharp decline in share prices was on the

Zambia devalues kwacha

LUSAKA (R) - Zambia Friday devalued its currency, the kwacha, by 20 per cent and announced it was suspending repayments of principal on its medium- and long-term foreign debts while seeking a rescheduling from its creditors.

Brazil outlines economic course

BRASILIA (R) - Brazil Thursday outlined the economic programme it intends to follow, including sweeping cuts in price sub-sidies and public spending and restrictions on imports, in return for a three-year emergency loan of about \$4.9 billion from the International Monetary Fund (IMF).

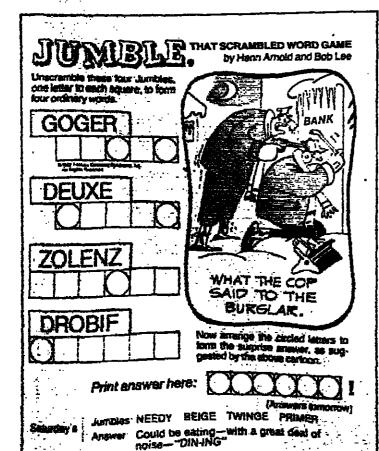
Pakistan to expand gas production

WASHINGTON (OPECNA) — Pakistan is to expand its natural gas production with an \$88.2 million loan from the International Finance Corporation (IFC) and a consortium of other institutions. provide \$15 million, with the remainder coming from the Arab Banking Corporation, the Middle East Bank, the Chase Manhattan Bank, Lloyds International, the International Westminster Bank, the Bank of America and other groups.



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SECTION A



U.S. jobless rate soars

WASHINGTON (R) - The U.S. unemployment rate soared to a 42-year high of 10.8 per cent in December with another 100,000 Americans joining the jobless rolls, the Labour Department announced Friday.

Some 12 million Americans were out of work last month, more than at any time since the great depression of the 1930s, as the worst U.S. recession in the post-World War II era continued to take its toll.

The department previously reported the unemployment rate in November as 10.8 per cent, but annual technical revisions in the information released Friday resulted in modest changes in the reported jobless rate in eight of last year's 12 months. The new figure for November was 10.7 per

The department said that, had it not been for the revisions, the December rate would have been 11 per cent.

Unemployment has now risen by 4.2 million since the economic downturn began in July, 1981, an increase of over 50 per cent.

In addition to the 12 million workers officially listed as unemployed last month, 6.4 million more have been forced to accept part-time work and about 1.8 million "discouraged" workers have simply dropped out

Italians protest against government austerity plan

Mr. Fanfani's four-party Chris-

central Rome.

NAPLES. Italy (R) — Thousands main demonstration beginning in of angry workers Friday occupied mid-morning outside the station. main railway stations in Naples, Florence and other cities in spontaneous protests against government austerity measures, police said.

In Naples, police said the main Prime Minister Amintore Fanfani.

The protests came as the government considered sharp cutbacks in health and insurance services following a series of tax increases designed to help the country's troubled economy.

Many Naples shops remained

throughout the city joined the

Abe pledges to widen Japan's market for foreign goods

ROME (R) — Japanese Foreign Minister Shintaro Abe, ending a five-nation West European tour. pledged Friday to widen his country's market for foreign goods.

A spokesman for the minister said the undertaking was made during a meeting with Italian Prime Minister Amintore Fanfani.

He told reporters tariff reductions affecting 75 items which were announced in Tokyo last month would be followed this month by new measures in an effort to ease European criticism of what the West sees as the closed nature of the Japanese market.

The measures would include enlarged quotas for certain unspecified items and steps to speed up procedures involved in importing goods. No new cuts in tariffs were foreseen, he said.

The spokesman quoted Mr. Abe as saying that his tour had convinced him of the severe problems facing European Community economies and of the need to increase industrial cooperation between Japan and the Community.

Mr. Abe, making his first trip abroad since taking office late last year, was not present at the press briefing. He is due to return home Saturday and then accompany Prime Minister Yasuhiro most trade concessions.

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Nakasone to the United States later this month.

During his visits to Belgium. West Germany, Britain and France, he heard sharp criticism of Japan's big trade surplus with the Community, which was over \$10 billion in 1981.

France and Britain in particular attacked what they termed restrictive Japanese trading policies as contributing to the surplus, and described the latest tariff cuts as inadequate. The spokesman said Mr. Abe's

meetings Friday with Mr. Fanfani and Foreign Minister Emilio Colombo were comparatively conciliatory in tone.

"Paris was by far the toughest stage." he said.

But he added that Mr. Abe strongly attacked Italian restrictions on Japanese imports during his meeting with Mr. Colombo and said the Community must also contribute to opening trade and avoiding protectionism.

Italy tightly restricts imports of 38 Japanese goods, including cars. motorcycles and colour television

Italian officials said Mr. Colombo replied that the Japanese economy was set for faster growth that that of the Community and that Tokyo should provide the

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railway station was blocked for an hour by about 3,000 demonstrators, paralysing trains on Italy's southern rail link as crowds invaded the tracks, waving banners and chanting slogans against

Police said smaller protests erupted in other parts of the city. while in nearby Pomigliano d'Arco about 1,000 Alfa Romeo car workers took over another station blocking local rail traffic around Mount Vesuvius.

closed and nervous police chiefs called nearly 5,000 patrolmen and paramilitary carabinieri into the streets as a precaution against riot-

Office and factory workers

week since Mr. Fanfani announced his tax increases.

In Florence, thousands more Shipyard workers in the Sicilian workers occupied the station and capital of Palermo and the northblockaded city centre streets while em port of Genoa briefly disseveral hundred demonstrators rupted road, rail and air traffic Thursday while Genoa steelblocked the east coast railway near the southern town of Bari. workers stopped work for several The protests came as Mr. Fanhours on Tuesday. fani summoned his cabinet to

The unpopularity of the govdecide on health and insurance ernment's measures has produced cutbacks to complete a 15,000 biltension and heart-searching in all lion lire (511 billion) package of four government parties in a likely tax increases and state spending election year.

After giving their initial approval, the two smallest coaltian Democratic-led coalition ition parties, the Social Democrats raised taxes on housing, transport and the Liberals, have already and electrical goods by nearly tried to reverse some of the tax 7,000 billion lire (\$5 billion) a increases, while Socialist Finance Minister Francesco Forte has As the government prepared quietly shelved plans for a new, the next stage of its austerity plan. once-only tax on earnings of the 300 slogan-shouting demonself-employed.

strators scuffled with police out-Back-benchers in Mr. Fanfani's side the prime minister's office in dominant Christian Democratic Friday's protests followed some party also have shown signs of dismilder forms of protest in the past quiet.

LONDON STOCK MARKET

LONDON (R) - Equities were firmer in moderate trading following Thursday night's record gains on Wall Street but bonds were slightly easier reflecting continued fears over sterling, dealers said. The F.T. index at 1500 Friday was up 4.6 at 619.7.

Among the leaders Blue Circle rose 5p to 458, GKN firmed 6p at 127 and Thorn EMI advanced 12p at 445. Bowater were up 8p at 170 following press comment while Plessey rose 15p to 639 on further consideration of its mobile radio system agreement with

Gold producers were mostly higher while North American shares continued Thursday night's higher trend on Wall Street. Government bonds, having fluctuated throughout the day, ended slightly easier amid continued concern over sterling, dealers said. Conventional bonds were around 1/8 point lower while index-linked bonds continued to attract interest and finished as much as 3/8 point higher.

Oils continued firmly after Thursday's news that Saudi Arabia intends holding to its \$34 benchmark. B.P. was up 6p at 310 and Ultramar rose 5p to 521. Banks, after initial losses, recovered to finish around Thursday night's closing levels.

Sears Holdings were unchanged on balance at 101 while Empire Stores, which it to discuss a bid for, was also unchanged at

LONDON EXCHANGE RATES

LONDON (R) — Following are the buying and selling rates for leading world currencies and gold against the dollar at midday on the London foreign exchange and bullion markets Friday.

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Mrs. Gandhi suffers heavy blow

NEW DELHI (R) - Indian Prime Minister Indira Gandhi had informal talks with colleagues in her Congress (I) Party Friday following major state election defeats for the party which could confront her with serious political problems.

The 65-year-old leader has not commented on her party's humiliating defeat Thursday in the southern states of Andra Pradesh and Karnataka, traditional strongholds for the Congress (I) Party. Analysts have described the situation as critical because of wide-

sparead dissent among members. Mrs, Gandhi also failed to dislodge the Marxist Communist Party (CPM) in Tripura, in the north-east, where it won an absolute majority in the 60-member assembly.

Congress General Secretary Rajendra Kumari Bajpai told Reuters: "It was a negative vote against us. We have our shortcomings but our rivals played on regional and linguistic issues.".

In Kamataka, the victorious alliance of the Janata Party and a regional grouping began talks on forming the state's first non-

The Karnataka grouping, which includes Congress (I) rebels, led a movement in the state last year to introduce the majority Kannada language as the main language in schools.

Political analysts said Mrs. Gandhi's electoral defeats could strengthen regional demands for more autonomy and linguistic con-

Mrs. Gandhi is already under strong pressure from militant Sikhs for religious and political concessions, including greater autonomy for the northern state of Punjab, their homeland.

Veteran Telugu film star storms political arena

NEW DELHI (R) — The man who upset Prime Minister Indira

Gandhi's apple cart in a crucial state election in South India is new to

politics but virtually a cult figure as a veteran film hero. Nandamuri Taraka Rama Rao, known to legions of his fans as NTR, led his newly-formed Telegu Desam (Land of Telugu) party to a stunning victory Thursday over Mrs. Gandhi's well-entrenched Congress (I) in the state of Andra Pradesh.

Tall and well-built, the 60-year-old Mr. Rama Rao stormed into the centre of Andhra's political stage last March on the strength of his formidable reputation as a Telugu-language film star often cast as a Electioneering in a vintage chevrolet converted into a campaign

trailer, Mr. Rama Rao matched his glamour with the charisma of Mrs. Gandhi and won.

But publicly he dismissed suggestions his cinema image was a factor in the campaign.

"I am completely black, there is no glamour... no it is the faith of the people," he said. The NTR phenomenon, as some commentators describe it, is not

unusual in a country where box-office stars often command greater following than politicians. One southern state has been ruled by matinee idol M.G. Ramachandran since 1977.

Mr. Rama Rao's major campaign promise was to stop the state's politics from being manipulated by New Delhi and restore the pride of the Telugn people by uplifting Andhra Pradesh.
Under attack from Mrs. Gandhi for voicing regional demands, Mr.

Rama Rao said his party was regional only in the sense that it sought the development of Andhra Pradesh, but in all other matters it would take a broad national view.

So confident was Mr. Rama Rao of his success that he spurned alliance offers from long-standing opposition parties, but linked up with a tiny political group led by Maneka Gandhi, rebel daughterin-law of Mrs. Gandhi.

Addis Ababa may become OAU venue

wedding banned HARARE (R) - Zimbabwe opposition leader Joshua Nkomo said Friday the government had banned a wedding reception planned this weekend for his

Mr. Nkomo said police had issued an order under emergency regulations Thursday stopping clebration of the wedding of his 28-year-old daughter, Thandiwe, to John Ndlovu, son of Zim-

Zimbabwean

babwe's ambassador to Senegal. Asked how he felt about the ban, he replied: "I am shocked. I did not expect a thing like this to be done to a wedding."

WASHINGTON (R) — Con-

gressional candidates spent more than \$300 million seeking office in

1982 in the costliest U.S. con-

NAIROBI (R) — The Organisation of African Unity (OAU), which last year made two abortive attempts to hold its 19th summit meeting in Libya, may change the venue to Ethiopia, Egyptian

summit was deprived of a quorum by a boycott of states protesting against the OAU membership of the Polisario guerrilla

because of Libya's opposition to the seating of the Chad 8000 ermnent of Hissene Habre, which routed the Libyan-backed administration of Goukouni

November when the election was

that campaign spending by private

The commission also reported

Mr. Al-Shafei, who is on a sixnation African tour, said after talks with Kenyan officials that there was "a trend to hold the summit in Addis Ababa," where

Delhi on March 1-11 so that they could attend that conference "with a united voice" Mr. Al-

The failure of the OAU to hold its annual summit was without precendent and has plunged Africa's sole forum for political cooperation into the worst crisis in

wirephoto)

BEIRUT (R) - Lebanon's

northern port of Tripoli, now torn

by battles between rival Muslim

factions, was better known in the

past for struggles between Mus-

The city, founded as a trading

station around 800 B.C., today

presents a somewhat run-down

appearance, particularly in the old

areas where the latest fighting has

With about 600,000 inhabitants

mainly Sunni Muslims, Tripoli is

Lebanon's largest city after Beirut

and often called the country's

northern capital. Situated 88

kilometres north of Beirut, it is an

important port and industrial

duced tough new regulations to

ban the import of pomographic and "reactionary" videotapes as

well as taped religious prop-

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Foreign tourists and all Chinese

nationals could now only bring

feature videotapes into the coun-

try with the special permission of the broadcasting ministry and cus-

toms department, the semi-

But a customs sookesman told

Reuters that this rule did not apply

to diplomats, journalists.

businessmen and other long-term

China has been waging a cam-

official news agency said.

foreign residents of China.

lims and Christians.

fident a summit would be held --"and the sooner the better"-and he hoped it could take place before celebrations of the OAU's

Iran faces

LONDON (R) — Iran is sending teams of specialist "beadhunters" to Western Europe to recruit doctors and counter a brain drain caused by the 1979 revolution.

An advertisement in the latest in Iran.

A spokesman for the Iranian embassy told Reuters the advertisement only applied to Muslim doctors and those from Third World countries. The embassy had received 140 applications.

offering attractive incentives to Europe and the United States. According to Abdollah Sheibani, a member of the Majlis

Iranian exiles say doctors were among those executed for alleged

According to official statistics there are more Iranian doctors practicising in the United States and Western Europe than in Iran itself. In Iran, there are 15,000 doctors to tend a population of 40 million while 16,000 of their com-

The China News Service said that under the new regulations "all recorded tapes containing anti-China, anti-Communist, anti-Socialist, sexual or por-

which carry out religious propaganda activities will be confiscated. Extremely unhealthy tapes also cannot be imported." The ban on religious prop-

In recent days, however, the city

has been paralysed by the gun-

battles of groups supporting or

opposed to Syria whose troops

have controlled it since the 1975-

goes back a long way in Tripoli.

But factionalism apparently

Seized in 535 A.D. by the Arab

Omayad Dynasty, it later changed

hands again several times, some-

times being held by Christians, but

The city was one of several

mainly Muslim areas included in

76 Lebanese Civil War.

A Lebanese militiamia, carrying an M16 automatic rifle, dashes through a street in the Bab El-Tabbaneh area of Tripoli Thursday,

where rival milita groups have been battling for over a week. (A.P.

Tripoli's factional strife

deeply rooted in its past

China cracks down on

pornographic tapes

aganda reflects laws restricting contact between China's officially-sanctioned Catholic and Protestant churches and foreign religious bodies. This is a particularly sensitive

issue with the Chinese Catholic church, which is independent of Rome and does not recognise the authority of the Pope. A new state constitution passed

last month states that "religious bodies and religious affairs are not subject to any foreign domi-

Last September a senior Chinese Protestant official attacked Western evangelical organisations for smuggling Bibles into China and urged believers to be "on guard against infiltration by hostile forces from the outside

The new customs regulations made no mention of printed mat-

'Luck needed to find satellite if it crashes'

NEW YORK (R) - An American who accidentally discovered the Soviet nuclear satellite that came crashing back to earth in 1978 says if another one falls as predicted it could be hard to find.

Mike Mobley, who chanced upon the Soviet satellite five years ago when he was exploring Canada's northwest territories, said the most important factor in locating a downed satellite is mostly chance.

The U.S. State Department has predicted that a Soviet recon-

naissance satellite, Cosmos 1402, powered by about 50 kilogrammes of radioactive uranium, will crash somewhere on the earth's surface later this month.

The Soviet Union has disputed the forecast and said there is nothing wrong with its satellite.

Mr. Mobiey said that a person searching for the satellite, should it fall, would have to be in the right place at the right time because chance - and mostly chance alone -- led to the discovery last time of a downed Soviet satellite.
The 31-year-old Mr. Mobiey's

advice may sound simple, but it is based on experience and the U.S. government, in its official report on the incident, agrees.

When Cosmos 954 fell from the skies in late Jan. 1978, Mr. Mobley and a friend were in 2 dog sled on the edge of a frozen river, a long way from civilisation.

The last thing they expected to find was a Soviet satellite. But they stumbled on something

that all the sophisticated monitoring devices of the Canadian and U.S. governments were not able to pinpoint.

"It was a real question of luck. The monitoring devices had established a footprint that was hundreds of miles wide and hundreds of miles long. It could have taken days or longer to do what we did,"
Mr. Mobley, now a graduate student at California's Humbolt State University, said.
The State Department said Fribecoming part of the Turkish Empire in 1516. in 1516.

day that there was a 70 per cent chance that Cosmos 1402 will plummet into the ocean.

Department spokesman John Hughes also noted that Soviet authorities were insisting that the "greater Lebanon" under the French mandate after World War satellite will not fall from its orbit.

"That would be a happy development. But our information Mr. Mobley and his friend, John

Mordhorst, were in the Arctic as part of a six-man team who were retracing the steps of explorer John Hornby, who starved to death in an expedition in 1927.

When they discovered Cosmos 954, Mr. Mobley remembers jok-ing to Mordhorst that it was probably a Soviet killer satellite and that when they got back to their base camp, they would find "vodka and Russian nurses waiting for us."

Instead, they returned and made radio contact with officials who sternly warned them to keep away from their discovery and above all not to touch anything.

"When we told them we had touched a piece, there was this long stience and when the search parties arrived we were treated as if we had a nuclear age social disease."

Mr. Mobley recalled that he and his fellow explorers had baked bread and biscuits and brewed fresh tea for their visitors who were initially afraid even to shake

"I extended my band and some one slapped a Geiger counter in it," he said. "Eventually they found a bit of radiation on my giove."

NEWS IN:

2 sisters abducted in San Salvador

SAN SALVADOR (R) - Gunmen kidnapped two sisters said to have been making arrangements for a U.S. senator to visit El Salvador, police said. The women, Cristina and Beatriz Alcaine, both in their mid-20's, were abducted from a plush neighbourhood in western San Salvador, a police spokesman said. A U.S. Unitarian churchman, John McAward, told reporters that the sisters had been laying the groundwork for Sen. Christopher Dodd to visit El Salvador later this month.

British scientist works on date of crucifixion

LONDON (R) - A British scientist has uncovered evidence which he says may help punpoint the date of the crucifixion of Jesus Christ to Friday, April 3, A.D. 33. Richard Stephenson, senior research fellow at Durham University in Northern England, has discovered that a partial lunar eclipse, a feature of the Bible account of the crucifixion, took place on that day.

Turkish film-maker loses citizenship

ANKARA (R) - Fugitive Turkish film-maker and actor Yilmaz Guney, convicted here of murder. was officially stripped of his citizenship Thursday, according to a decree published in the official gazette. Guney, whose film "Yof" (the Road) shared the Golden Palm award at last year's Cannes film festival, was among a group of fugitives given until Oct. 25 last year to return to the country or forfeit their citizenship.

Colombo opposition wants elections

COLOMBO (R) - Eight opposition parties in Sri Lanka havejointly demanded a general election this year, saying that 62 per-cent of registered voters did not approve an extension of Parliament's term in a referendum last month. In the Dec. 22 referendum, 3.1 million people voted for and 2.6 million opposed a proposal by the government of President Junius Jayewardene to extend parliament's life for a further six years when its present term ends next August, More than eight million were eligible to vote. The opposition parties, led by the Sri Lanka Freedom Party of former Prime Minister Sirima Bandarnaike, accused in a statement issued Thursday the government of abusing its powers and intimidation to secure endorsement for the proposal.

Madrid unsympathetic to ex-Republicans

MADRID (R) — The Spanish Supreme Court has turned down an appeal for pensions and other rights by career officers who fought for the defeated Republican side in the 1936-39 Civil War. Lawyers representing the. 5,000 men affected by the ruling said the verdict dashed hopes that their case would receive sympathetic treatment under a Socialist government. Luis Roldan Rodriguez, one of the lawyers, said the case was now being referred to the higher constitutional court but he added that he was not optimistic.

Ismat Sadat's assets estimated at \$148m

CAIRO (R) - An Egyptian prosecutor has estimated the family assets of Ismat Sadat, brother of the late President Anwar Sadat who is on trial for frand, at 124 million Egyptian pounds (\$148 million), the official Middle East agency said. The prosecutor, Abdel-Kader Ahmed Ali, said the assets included real estate, cash and other property held by Mt. Sadat and 36 members of his family. The agency quoted Mr. Ali as saying cash held by Mr. Sadat, his two wives, children, grandchildren and sons-in-law was estimated at about 1.9 million pounds (about \$ 2.3 million) real estate and other properties at about 72 million pounds (shout \$86.4 million). The rest was taken up by businesses owned by the

Assistant Foreign Minister Omran Al-Shafei said Friday. the OAU has its headquarters. He said Libyan leader Muam-The first attempt to hold the mar Qadhafi "no longer wants the chairmanship" which he would have taken over from Kenya had the 19th summut been held in-African leaders wanted the summit to take place before the The second session collapsed Non-Aligned summit in New

its 19-year history. Mr. Al-Shafei said he was con-

20th anniversary expected to be held in Conakry, Guinea, in May. He hinted that the troubled 19th summit and the 20th anniversary clebrations might be held together. "There is going to

be some sort of celebration. Why not combine the two?" he

shortage of doctors

issue of Imam, the Englishlanguage journal of the Tehran government, said the Iranian health ministry was sending teams to Britain in the first months of this year to invite doctors to work

At the same time Tehran i

win back Iranians working in (parliament), 2,500 specialists left Iran after the revolution and never

links with opposition groups.

patriots practise in the United

paign against pornography smuggled in from abroad. The banned material includes romantic pop songs considered totally harmless in the West as well as "hard-core" videotapes.

States and 5,000 in Western

SEOUL (R) - South Korea is

looking to Japan's Prime Minister

Yasuhiro Nakasone to help end

hostility stretching back more

than 70 years when he arrives next

1910 when Japanese conquerors

began 35 years of brutal rule on

the peninsula. It has stopped both

countries from cultivating genuine

friendship and has even jeopar-

dised diplomatic relations, estab-

Seoul and Tokyo, both strong

allies of the United States, are now

agreed that any deterioration of their ties will harm stability in the

region, particularly in the face of

what is seen as growing Soviet

expansionism, officials said.

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one official said.

lished 17 years ago.

Nakasone's visit to assuage hard feelings in Seoul

issue, government sources said. defence role when Mr. Nakasone "That Mr. Nakasone chose meets President Reagan later this

> invariably put the Japanese near the bottom of the international popularity league. Koreans receive similar treatment in Japanese polls.

consider themselves overlords of their former colonial subjects. More than 600,000 Korean residents in Japan say they still suffer social and legal discrimination.

rewrite school books to whitewash its colonial record caused a national furore here and threatened a suspension of

The row subsided with Tokyo's pledge to further revise the textbooks. Korean historians have

The case of Kim Dae-Jung,

South Korea's best known political dissident who was kidnapped by Koreans from a Tokyo hotel in 1973, also soured Seoul-Tokyo relations. The Korean government has denied any government agents were involved in the abduction.

1980, was freed last month and went to the U.S. for medical

Gen. Park needed the money to rationalise the professed motive for his 1961 coup -- to rid the

for loans is partly aimed at obtaining fuller compensation for

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gressional campaign on record, according to the Federal Election interest groups known as political The biggest spender was a loser, Democratic Senate hopeful Mark Dayton of Minnesota, who poured \$5.6 million into his battle with Republican Sen. David Durenberger. The commission said that 2,223 candidates throughout the 50 states had spent \$264 million on

primary and general election campaigns by mid-October of last

That alone made the 1982 congressional race the most expensive on record. But the commission estimated that another \$50 miliion was spent from October to

action committees also reached new heights in the 1981-82 elec-

It disclosed what the candidates their campaigns, including funds

from their parties, the political action committees, individual donors and their ownpockets. Second place after Mr. Dayton. a millionaire beir to a retail store fortinge, went to newly-elected Republican Sen. Pete Wilson of

lion. Third was the man he defeated former Governor Jerry Brown with nearly \$4 million. Four loser were among the ton

California, who spent \$5.2 mil-

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Renowned bridge clubs, such as New York's Cavendish Club, earn their reputation because of the famous. players who are, or have been, members. But playing with the stars can have beneficial effects on the skill of the membership as well. Watch a former president of the club, Lee Koppel, at work (a during a rubber bridge game.)

ed not necessarily a true ly reverse. Koppel's bid of six1 no trump is typical of the dash that earned him the rank of major in the Israeli army before he settled in

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North-South were using a

five-card major system, so

: North's bid of two hearts was

ork. ___rer won the diamond

lead in dummy and led a heart to his queen and West's king. West continued with a diamond, won in the closed hand. If hearts broke evenly, declarer would have twelve tricks, so he cashed the jackace in the suit. When that suit_followed the percen-- tages, Koppel had to look

elsewhere for the fulfilling He thought of the spade finesse, and led the queen from the table. When East followed perhaps a trifle too smoothly with a low spade, declarer decided that that finesse was not going to work. So he elected to fall back on a squeeze. He rose with the ace of spades and

ran his diamonds. On the long diamonds declarer discarded the ten and jack of spades. West, who had sluffed a spade on the third heart, had no trouble parting with a spade on the fourth diamond. But the last diamond was the final turn of the screw. Since West had to keep the king of spades to guard against the nine in dummy, he was forced to sluff a club. Now declarer was able to reel off four club

tricks to score his slam. There are those who might think that the squeeze technique is the best part of this hand. But for our money we like the fact that declarer won the first diamond in dummy and immediately led a heart to his hand. If East had the king, or if the suit had divided 3-3, declarer would have had twelve tricks without having to resort to a finesse, much less a squeezel

U.S. Congress races cost over \$300 m 10 Senate spenders. Besides Mr. Dayton and Mr. Brown, they were Democrat James Collins in Texas and California Republican Barry Goldwater Jr. son of the conservative Arizona senator, who spent \$2.6 million on a race that ended early when he failed to get

the nomination. resentatives seats, the milliondollar spenders were Democratic loser Adam Levin in New Jersy with \$1.2 million and Democratic winner Barney Frank in Mas-sachusetts with just over \$1 mil-

The commission records do not cover sums spent by those wanting to become a state governor, but losing candidates in New York and Texas are each believed to

have soent more than \$2 million. **Jiang Qing** may be

reprieved PEKING (R) - Indications are growing that Mao Tsetung's widow Jiang Qing, whose suspended death sentence is due to be reviewed this month, will not be

executed. A senior Chinese legal official who asked not to be identified noted that several Chinese leaders had said Jiang Qing may be reprieved.
"Our information is based on

what they have said and we have no further opinions to add," he told Reuters. Jiang Qing, leader of the extreme leftist "gang of four" which ruled China with Mao's

support during the 1966-76 Cultural Revolution, was given a suspended, death sentence. Discussing the case with foreign journalists last August, Com-munist Party leader Hu Yaobang said: "I think that the court will take the circumstances into

account and will reduce her sen-Diplomats noted that although many Chinese officials have died in disgrace in the last 30 years none is known to have been

Prisoners given suspended death sentences are usually spared in China if they show sincere signs of repentance. But Mr. Hu said Jian Qing had not changed her 'attinude.

The official press has been silent on Jiang Qing's fate, apart from the authoritative weekly news sheet Wenzhai Bao (Literary Digest) which indicated last month the line the authorities might take. It quoted a student at Peking's

Qinghua University as saying:

"Jiang Qing's crimes did not con-

sist of directly killing anyone. If she is spared she will act as a

teacher of a negative lesson.

Mr. Nakasone will be the first Japanese prime minister to pay an official visit to South Korea. His visit on Tuesday and Wednesday will be followed by a trip to Washington on Jan. 18.

Seoul government officials hope the trip will go a long way Seoul for his first overseas trip towards breaking down the missince taking office (last trust and even loathing some November) shows Japan has started giving priority to its Korean policy," a foreign ministry Koreans still have for Japan, whose efforts to gloss over its occupation atrocities revived bitspokesman said. 'We expect this to open a new

"We earnestly hope Mr. chapter in relations between the Nakasone's visit will go a long way two nations," he added. to resolve our lingering suspicion about a former colonial power," Korean officials said Mr. Nakasone's predecessors adopted a somewhat reluctant attitude Korean hostility stems from towards Seoul.

In a rare fanfare for Japanese moves, both the ruling and opposition parties here welcomed the visit as a positive effort for improved relations as did the media, which has been generally critical of Tokyo.

Under Mr. Nakasone's leadership, Japan has agreed to give \$4 billion in loans to South Korea for its development projects. Details still have to be finalised but the visit is expected to settle the twoyear diplomatic tussle over the

The loan agreement would help assuage anti-Japanese feelings among the Koreans and ease U.S. pressure for a greater Japanese

month, they said. Brutalities committed by the Japanese before and during World War II are well documented in Korean history books. Private surveys in South Korea

Koreans think the Japanese still

Japan's attempt last year to diplomatic relations.

since rewritten schoolbooks giving emphasis to atrocities inflicted on Koreans during Japanese rule.

Kim, originally sentenced to death for faming a bloody revolt in the southern city of Kwangju in

Many Koreans regret that the late President Park Chung-Hee agreed to normalise relations with Japan in 1965 for a mere \$500 million in aid. The opposition and students called it a sell-out.

country of poverty. Analysts say the current request

Japan's colonisation of Korea.